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THE K.O.S.B. COURT MARTIAL.

UTTER CHAOS OF THE P.R.I. OFFICE.

CLOSE OF HEARING.

The District Court Martial, which for several days has been enquiring into the alleged embezzlement of P. R. I. funds by Corporal Charles Hendry, the clerk to the President of the Regimental Institute, concluded its hearing yesterday afternoon, after hearing Mr. D. L. Strellett plead for the accused.

Major Todd, the President of the Court, announced that the decision of the Court will be announced in due course through the usual channels.

In his speech for the defence Mr. Strellett referred to the "black tin box" in which Corporal Hendry kept his books, cheques, etc., and also cash. The cheques which he kept were those which had accumulated until he had a sufficient number to pay into the bank. Every possible indication showed that the accused was not doing any wrong. As a matter of fact, he was never asked about them. Some of them were kept back, according to the evidence, for as long as ten days. Not only that, but sometimes cheques covered four or five items. Where is the information to come from regarding those items? Who else was there in the office? There was not a trace of anything whatsoever.

In addition to that, said Mr. Strellett, there was a further complication. He saw no reason why cheques should not be handed over to the P.R.I. straight away.

Practice of the Office.

Then they had to consider the practice of the P.R.I. office. Was that the practice? If so, what was the value of the evidence which they had heard of the totals which the Companies had paid in? How could they possibly arrive at a figure which it was said this man had received?

The Judge Advocate: But he is not charged with that.

Mr. Strellett: I say that however much he did on one side or the other we are entirely in the dark if that was the method employed by the P.R.I.

Mr. Strellett continued that the prosecution could not show and would not prove definitely that the P.R.I. had been defrauded of one single cent. Some of the entries were right, and some were hopelessly wrong. Major Ogilvie had admitted in his evidence that over \$100 a month was expended and that there were no entries.

The cross-examination of Mr. Strellett had shown that numerous payments were made which were never recorded.

Routine Carelessness. One of the chief jobs of the accused, continued Mr. Strellett, was to keep the officers' mess books. It had never been explained in evidence what those books were!

If there were any defalcations it was purely routine carelessness. Further, said Mr. Strellett, take the payments made to the cinema operator. It was stated in evidence that \$220 had been paid for 11 months, and only \$160 was entered in the books. Where was the difference? In the black box?

Judge Advocate: Wasn't there some difference of opinion as to whether they got less than that?

Mr. Strellett: \$160 was entered by you.

Judge Advocate: Yes, but it was stated that the amount had only lately been increased to \$20 per month.

Mr. Strellett: I am going on my memory, but Private Barnes stated that the payments were \$15 and \$5 per month—\$20. I will ask my clerk to check up the shorthand note. The point is that the exact payments were not entered. Not because there was any intention to defraud anyone.

Quite the opposite! \$220 was paid out and only \$160 recorded in the books. Ah. Here is the actual note: "For 11 months \$220 would be paid to you?—Yes."

Judge Advocate: I did not put that down, for you had previously mentioned 12 months at \$20 and then 11 months at \$20.

Consistent With Untidiness. Mr. Strellett: That may be so, but it proves that this man was putting wrong entries in the book. But who was he defrauding? It is all consistent with the untidiness which has grown and which has festered in the office of the P.R.I. It is simply due to carelessness. It only required the indifference of the superior to let it grow into what it was.

There are even unrecorded payments which even Major Ogilvie knows must have been made. About 101 people must have made applications for a host of trivial sums which were granted, and they must have amounted to a considerable sum. But they are not entered in the books. There is no doubt that cheques were paid for—but that does not show that Major Ogilvie is wrong. It shows that there must have been many more such accounts unrecorded.

As a matter of fact, said Mr. Strellett, it would be interesting to know what Major Ogilvie was drawing on when he said he had no idea of what was going on and what was an excessive or a reasonable sum. I suppose he was telling us what he thought was really right.

Question of Intent.

Now in regard to cash payments. Major Ogilvie, you will remember, could not remember a single cash payment which he had made in the office of the P.R.I. It would perhaps be difficult for some folks to remember cash payments, but not so in the case of the P.R.I. whose office is continually making cash payments. It is a revelation that he does not remember a single cash payment being made. It is a revelation.

Then take the by-product book. It forms the subject of a number of charges. The swill contractors had to pay a certain sum of money. What did they pay? No one but the contractors and the P.R.I. know anything about it. Corporal Hendry is charged with making entries with intent to defraud. It seems hopeless to ask you what intent he had to defraud. Say he had taken a cheque for \$80 and converted it to his own use. Would he have put that wrong right by paying in a cheque for \$20 more than the account was for?

Was there any deliberate intention to defraud in that? Not at all. Petty errors and slight neglect began to grow in the office of the P.R.I. Corporal Hendry paid more than anyone expected to find. Was that intent to defraud? As for ready cash Corporal Hendry—according to the evidence—could have got it at any time he wanted. The charge of attempting to defraud was limited to the P.R.I. There was no comment by the auditor of the accounts.

Lost the String. A lot of evidence had been given regarding grand totals. The Judge Advocate: The question of grand totals is utterly erroneous and I shall explain so to the Court.

Mr. Strellett: That is why I made it my business to cross-examine the Indian contractors. They are so elusive. The Regimental barber put the receipt for February into his pocket, and all the rest he filed on a string—and he lost the string.

The question is: Where did Corporal Hendry's duties end? Rushing round to all who owed money to the P.R.I. and other things. What is the suggestion that all these months went by and the contractors state that they paid the money to Corporal Hendry?

Emphatically the accused cannot be guilty of embezzlement. Do you say that there was any guilty intention to deprive owners of their cheques? On the contrary, Corporal Hendry deliberately took all cheques to the owner. The law is not such an ass as it is made out to be and

it takes cognizance of these subtle differences.

I will ask you to say that these charges are not proved. Did he do it with the intention of deliberately defrauding? If the prosecution had been fair they would have put in an alternative charge under King's Regulations 622/1: "Where funds etc." at which refers to Section 47. If the charges had been brought under that section there is not the slightest doubt that the accused would not have had any charges to answer.

Not a Common Jury. The Judge Advocate: The charge sheet has to be settled by the Officer Commanding the Court. It is too late to make any suggestions. Had you raised the points before they would have been referred back to the Commanding Officer.

Mr. Strellett: I hope it will not prejudice the accused?

The Judge Advocate: The Court is quite impartial. You have to consider that this Court is not a common jury and is quite capable—I am not taking a note of this.

Mr. Strellett continued that the accounts were open to inspection every day and were scrutinized every month. All cheques were submitted to the P.R.I.

As to whether Corporal Hendry had misappropriated a single cent, Mr. Strellett would say that there was not a vestige of evidence. The system employed was one to lead to gross inaccuracy. The prosecution was not in possession of such facts as to say "we are sure that the whole or most of the money has been used by that man for his own purposes."

Who is going to say "Oh! We will cut out three charges?" Who is going to say "Well, we will find him guilty on one charge or not?"

The Judge Advocate: This is not a common jury, and you can take it that the Court are not angry with you. We are listening intently to your plea.

Mr. Strellett: Unless you can say he has had all the money, who is to say what he has had or not had? Even if this man is not able to account for all the money, he should be given a nominal punishment. Not a verdict that will put an end to his military career.

The Judge Advocate: If the man is guilty the punishment is nothing to do with me. It is out of my province entirely.

Mr. Strellett: I would say that this man be not deprived of his service and estate and that there be no circumstances which reflect unfavourably. I hope that you will take as your chief consideration the utter confusion which has existed in the P.R.I. office.

Points of Law. This concluded the hearing and the Judge Advocate reviewed the evidence and advised the Court regarding certain points of law involved. He said:

It is not for the accused to prove himself innocent. It is the duty of the prosecution to prove that he is guilty. Unless you are satisfied that the prosecution have proved these charges you cannot find the accused guilty. There has been a vast amount of confusion, no doubt. Under charge 12 there is one cheque which was cashed and not used for the purpose for which it was intended. Only one man can tell you what the explanation is. He has given no explanation. Do you believe the witnesses?

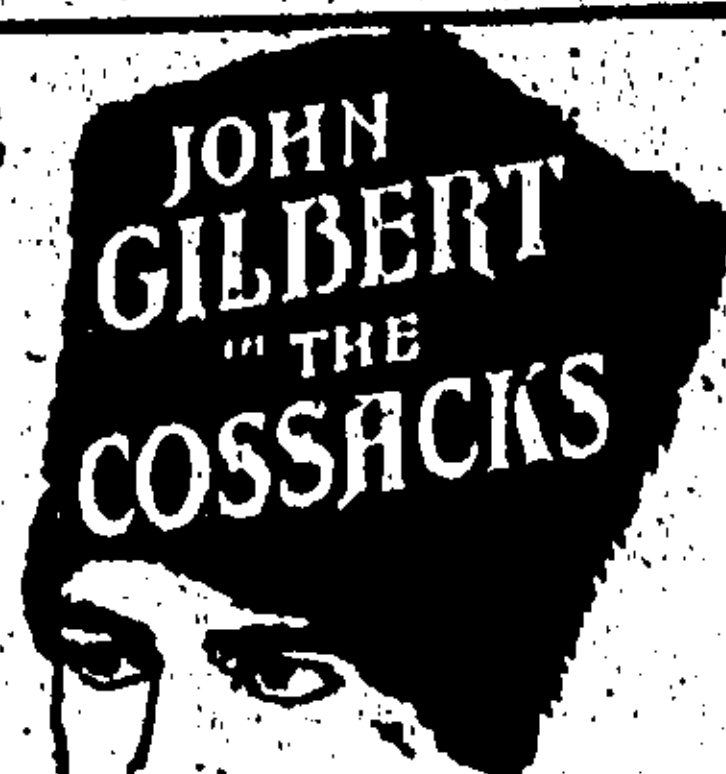
On charges 3 to 9 the question arises whether the accused is amenable to jurisdiction. If he is not you will have to acquit him. You have evidence that he is a soldier and was concerned with regimental monies. It has been said that no one but an officer can handle regimental monies. That is a matter which you will have to carefully consider and decide.

The Judge Advocate referred to the cheque which had been cashed by Mr. Gerald Young, the manager of the Central Stores of the N.A.A.F.I. for \$115. To cash that cheque, said the Judge Advocate, Mr. Young had to get special permission, and he paid the money to the accused, the principle in the N.A.A.F.I. being that no cheque over \$100 could be cashed without special permission. There was no evidence as to what

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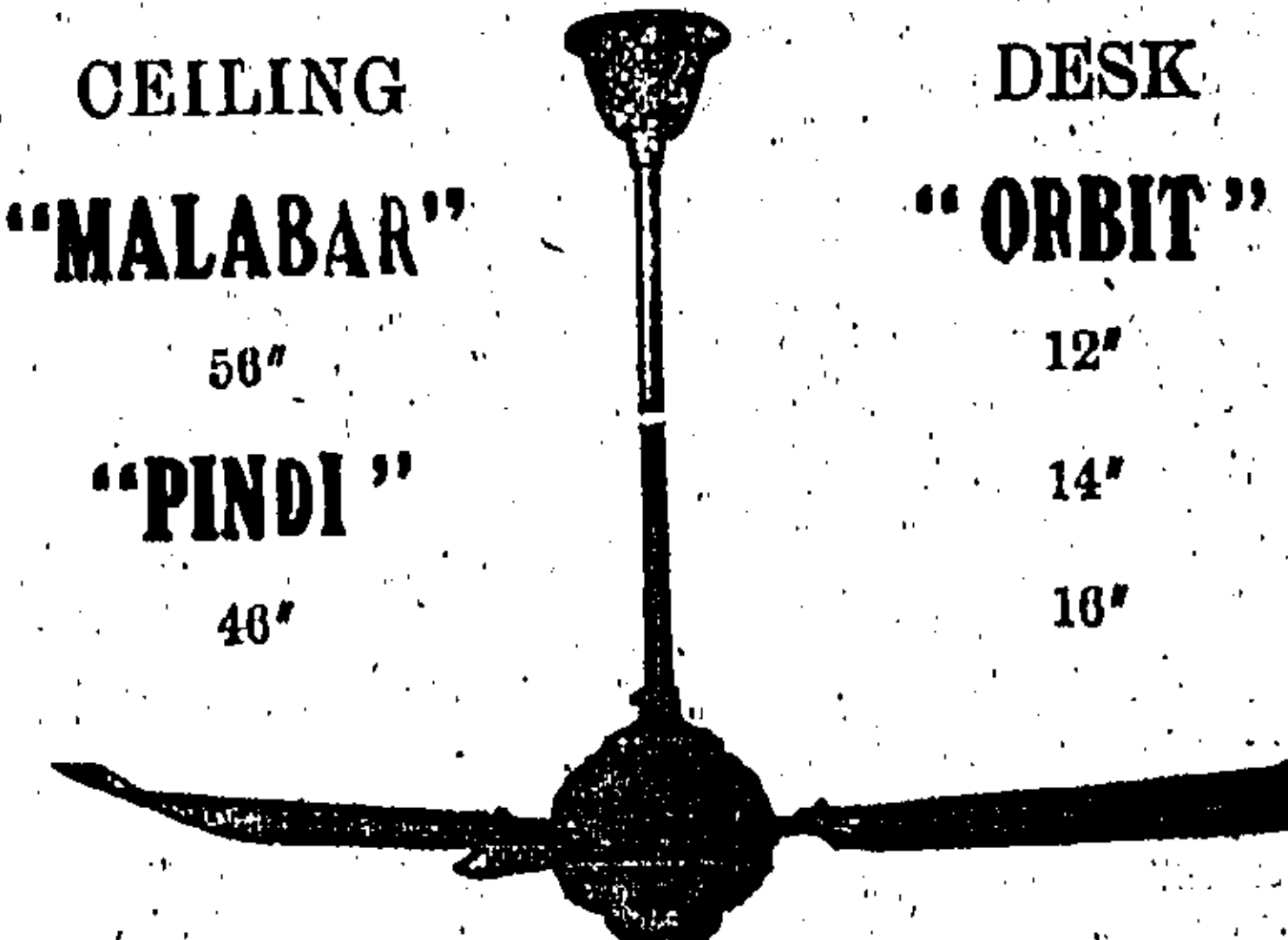
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happened to the money. Instead of paying in the money did the accused steal it? "You have to be sure without any reasonable doubt."

"On two other charges," said the Judge Advocate, "You are bound to return a verdict of Not Guilty because they contravene the articles of the section under which the accused was charged."

Concluding the Judge Advocate said: "The accounts have been kept slovenly and the supervision was none too good. But you have to be satisfied that the prosecution has established beyond all reasonable doubt the guilt of the accused. I cannot impress that on you too much."

Judgment will be promulgated in due course.

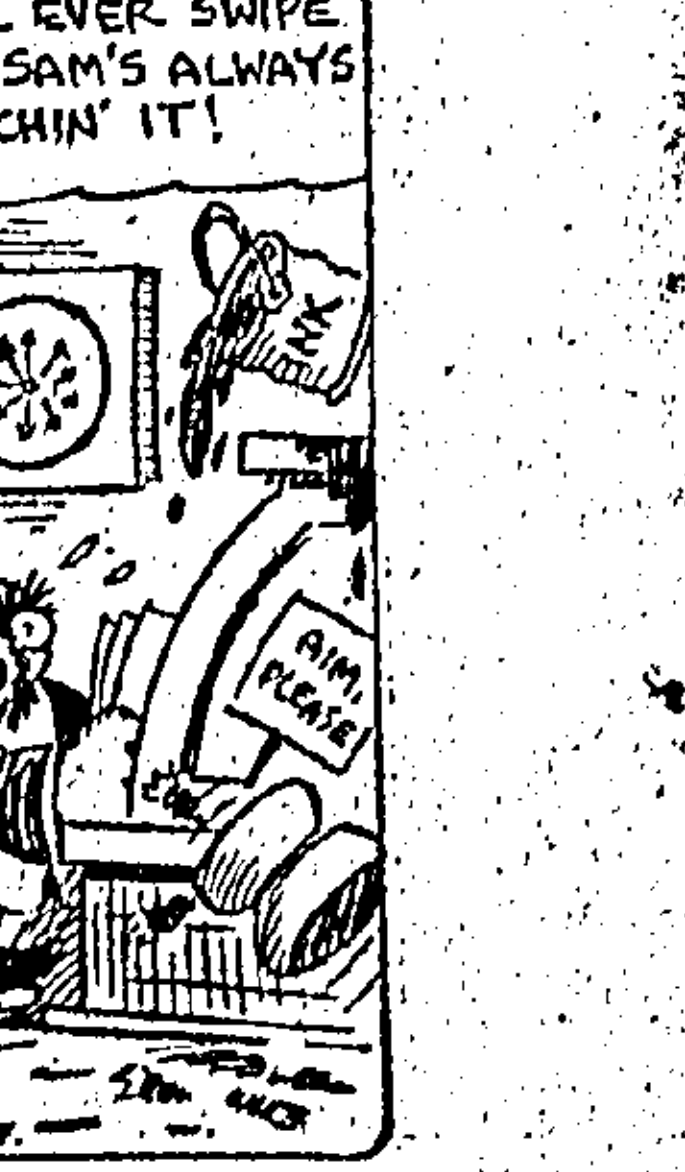
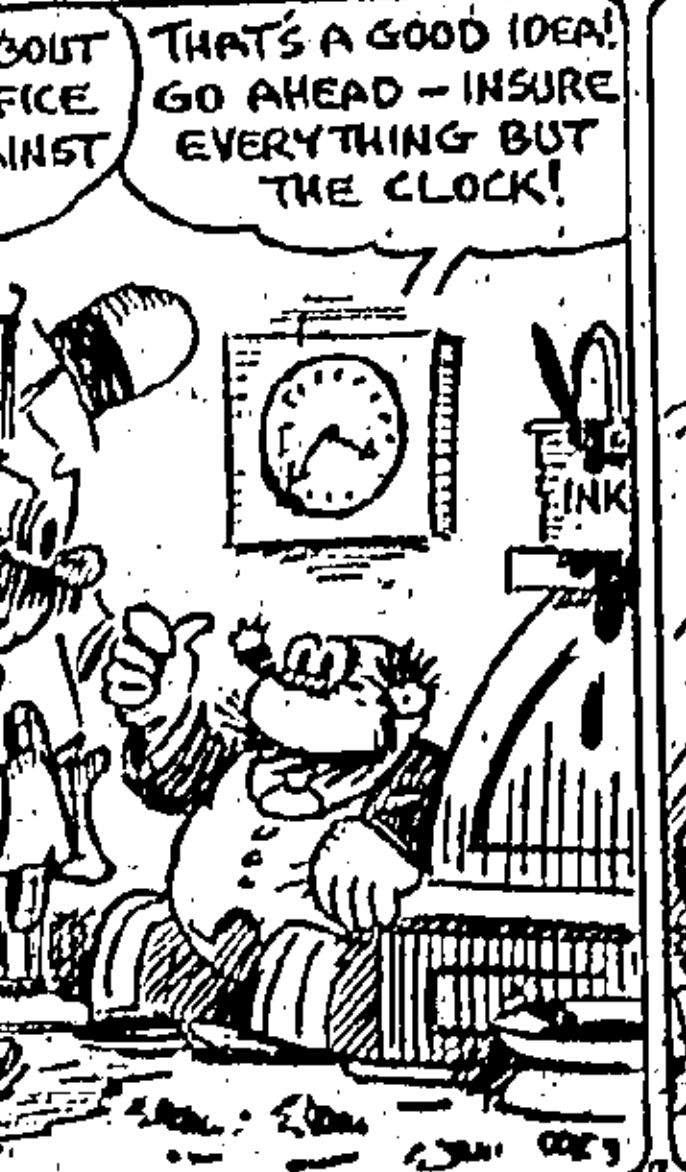
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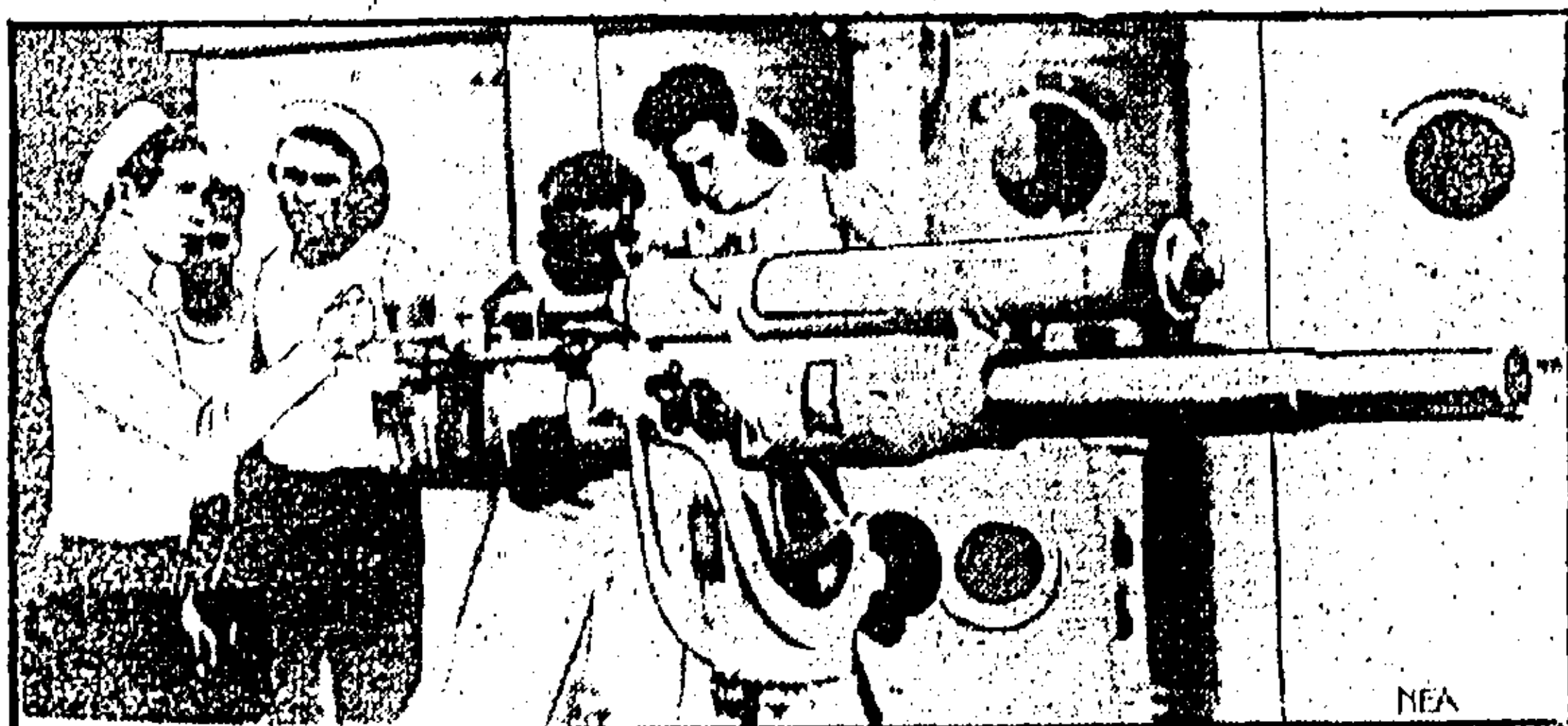




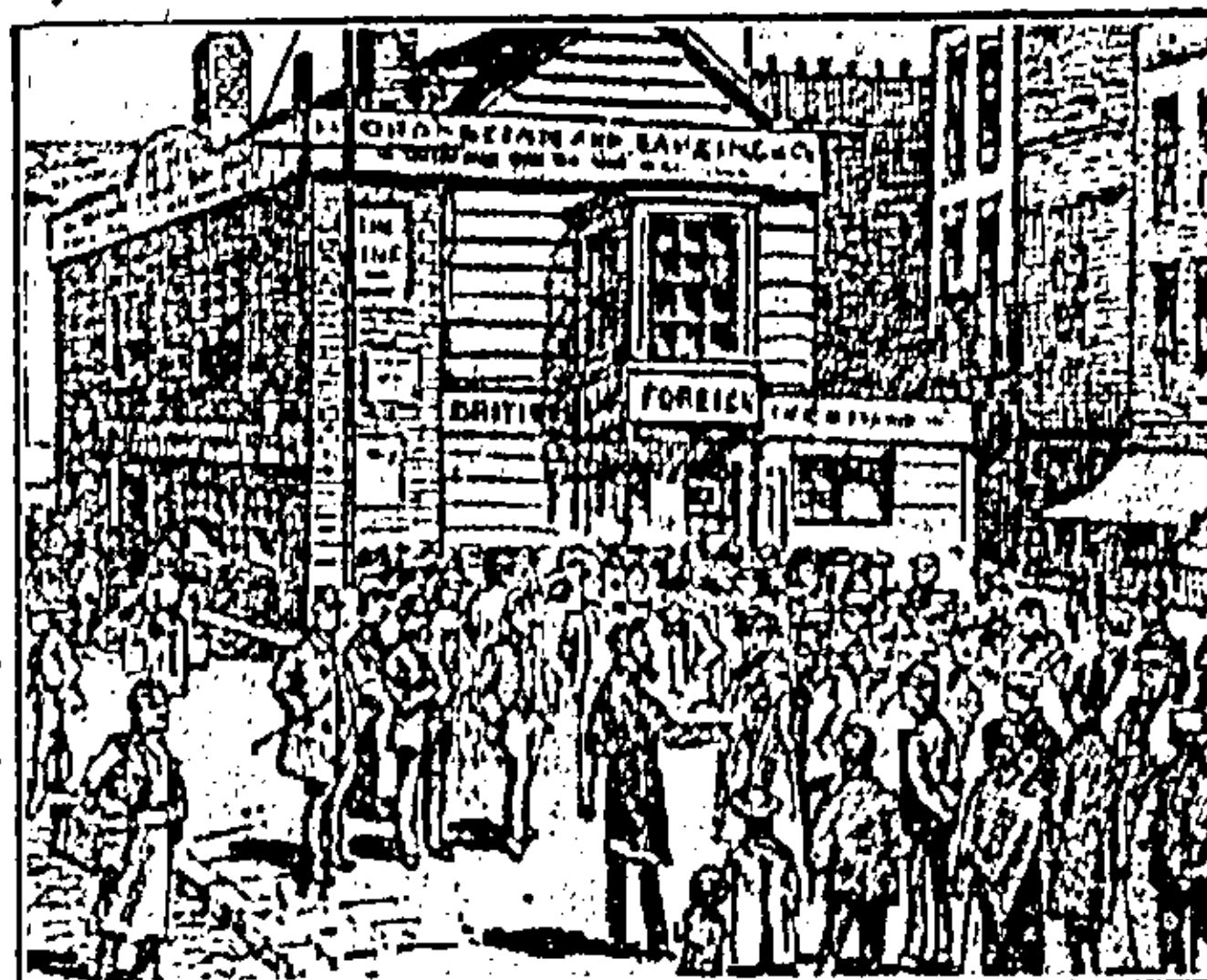
The sinking of the Canadian schooner "I'm Alone" in the Gulf of Mexico, with the loss of one life, by the U. S. coastguard cutter "Dexter" has brought a demand for a full inquiry from Canada. The Ottawa Government has sent a Note of protest, and asking for reparation. The above picture shows members of the crew behind the bars in New Orleans. Left to right: Capt. Randall, I. J. Williams, Edward Young, Edward Fouchard, Peter Jason, William Wordsworth, Chester Hobbs, and James Barrett. They were later freed. At the left is seen a picture of Captain Randall. He was a British naval officer during the war.



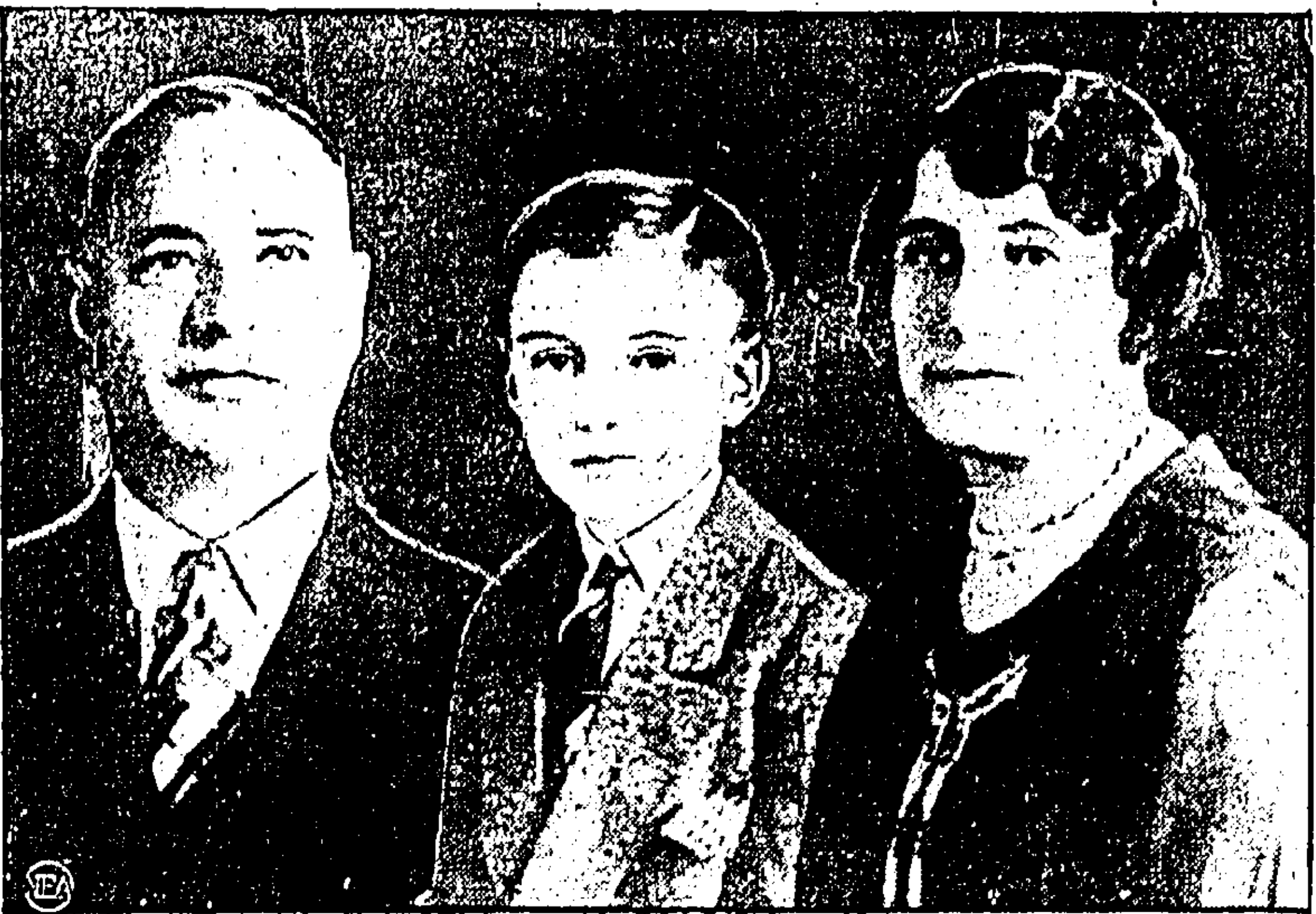
Mr. Vincent Massey, the Canadian Minister in Washington.



The above picture shows the gun crew which was responsible for the sinking of the "I'm Alone." It was taken on board the U. S. coastguard cutter "Dexter" soon after her arrival in New Orleans. It is admitted that the Canadian schooner was run-running, but it is claimed that she was outside the twelve-mile limit when ordered to heave to. It is understood that the United States and Canada have agreed to submit the case to arbitration.



The William Booth Centenary attracted much attention in England, partly as the result of the recent trouble in the Salvation Army. Top picture shows the old general addressing a meeting, and bottom shows the Mild End Road, where William Booth commenced his great work. (Times copyright).



Another instance of American prohibition "frightfulness." Our picture shows the family of Mr. Joseph DeKing. Their house was raided by prohibition agents, Mr. DeKing was knocked unconscious, and Mrs. DeKing was shot through the stomach and killed. The boy retaliated by shooting one of the raiders through the leg.

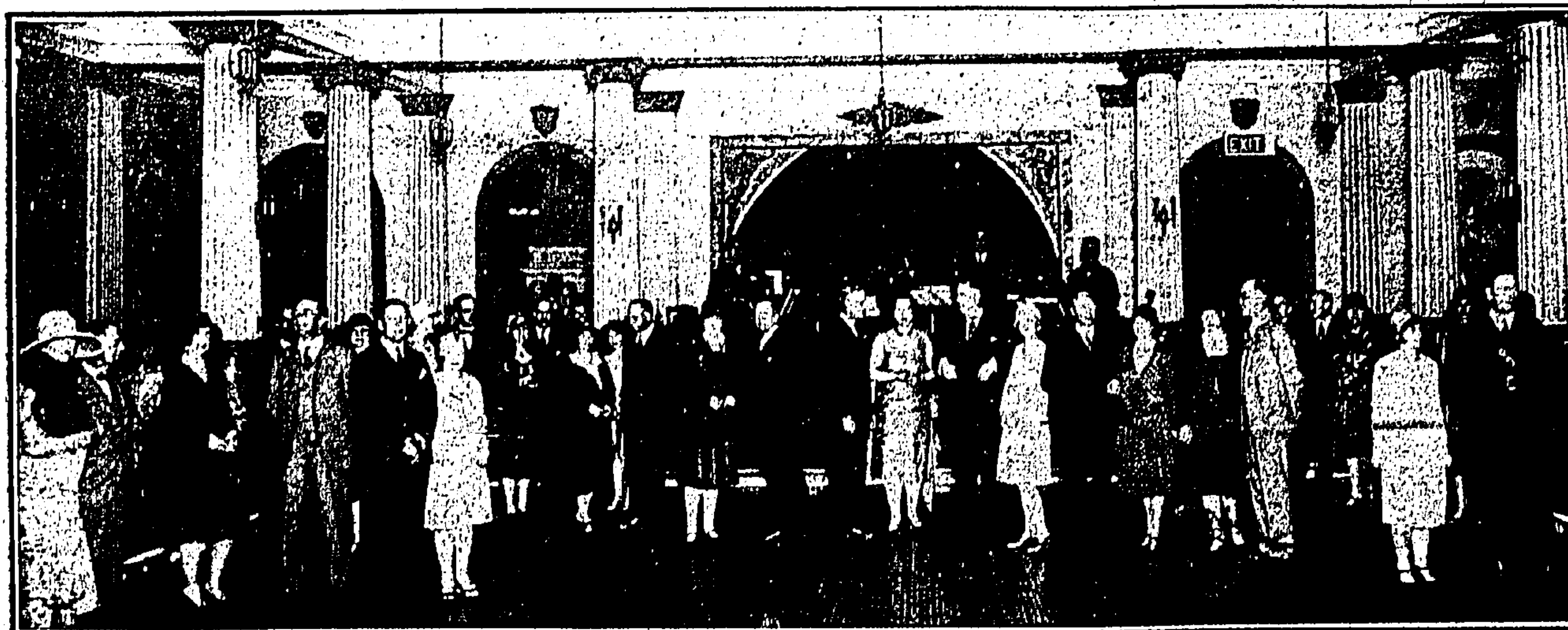


Photo taken at an attractive function given by the Shanghai American Women's Club, an "At Home" tea dance in their new quarters in Bubbling Well Road. To this, the formal opening of their new home, the members invited their husbands and men friends. Guests of honour were Admiral and Mrs. Bristol, Col. and Mrs. V. Lyman and members of their staffs and their wives.

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Chartered Bank, \$19 b.
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Peak Trams, (old) \$124 n.
Star Ferries, \$664 s.
China Lights, (Old) \$13.70 b.
H. K. Electric, \$574 b.
Macao Electric, \$261 n.
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Singapore Traction, 11/6 n.

Industrials.

China Sugars, \$80 sa.
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FANLING GOLF.

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9.28 a.m.—W. J. Gordon and H. G. Howard.
9.32 a.m.—A. C. Copple and S. S. Perry.
9.36 a.m.—I. H. Gens and C. B. Johnson.
9.40 a.m.—A. Leach and A. D. Humphreys.
9.44 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman and E. Des Voeux.
9.48 a.m.—A. F. Judd and R. P. Moodie.
9.52 a.m.—J. H. Fox and S. M. Walker.
9.56 a.m.—H. R. Sturt and P. Jacks.
10.00 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and J. S. McLaren.
10.04 a.m.—J. L. Adams and J. S. Dykes.
10.08 a.m.—B. J. Lacom and B. H. C. Halliwell.
10.12 a.m.—D. J. Gilmore and M. G. Mills.
10.16 a.m.—O. E. C. Marton and Comdr. Brown.
10.20 a.m.—E. B. Clarke and H. G. Hegarty.

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There are 1,018 prizes, the two first being each £125,000.
The organisers announce that there is no guard against the danger of forged tickets. Drawers of winning tickets should present them at the offices of the fund the week after the Derby is run for examination. Only members of the Stock Exchange who originally purchased the tickets may bring the tickets, and cheques will only be paid to such stock brokers.—Reuters.

LEAGUE TENNIS.

K.C.C. "B" TEAM TO MEET CLUB DE RECREO.

The following have been selected to represent the K.C.C. in their "B" Division fixture on Saturday against the Club de Recreo on the Club de Recreo ground at 4 p.m.:
A. E. Guest and L. Jack, W. M. Gittins and J. Mackintosh, Geo. Lee and R. B. Hambley.

Recreo Teams.

The following have been selected to represent the Club de Recreo.
"B" team versus the K.C.C. (home)—L. A. Rocha, A. V. Gosano, A. V. Remedios, G. A. Noronha, A. A. Remedios, L. A. Ribeiro.
"C" team versus the R.A.O.C. (home)—M. Remedios, M. Oliveira, H. A. Noronha, J. L. Xavier, A. Ribeiro, E. A. Noronha.

BUCHAN'S COLD PERIODS.

THEORY AGAIN PROVED CORRECT.

London, Apr. 13.
The centenary of the birth of Alexander Buchan, whose strikingly accurate forecasts of weather conditions have surprised eminent meteorologists, occurred this week. The weather, as if in honour of so notable an anniversary, appears to be doing its best to support in the most thorough possible manner his most cherished theory.
Buchan, who was secretary of the Meteorological Society of Scotland, deduced from his observations that cold periods regularly occurred between certain dates in each year. The first of his "periods" is February 7-10, which, this year, came within a long spell of severe wintry conditions. Since that period, the weather has alternated between winter, spring and summer conditions in more than traditional manner.

The second period started on Wednesday of this week, and, as has so often been the case, Buchan's prognostications have proved correct. Bitterly cold winds, laden with biting sleet, fell during the evening, and yesterday the temperature fell even lower. The "period" should come to an end to-morrow, so that after that a return of spring-like conditions should be general.

The next of Buchan's "periods" occurs between May 9 and May 14, when, according to his theory, one of the worst patches of cold weather is experienced. So generally accurate has the theory proved in the past that many people will look forward with confidence to yet another return of winter at that time.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

RADIO NOTICES.

The Radio Office is now situated on the ground floor of the P. & O. Building on Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office. This office is open day and night.

All particulars as to ships in communication, rates, etc., may be obtained at the Radio Office as above.

Radio Telegrams may be sent to Europe, America, Philippine Islands, Dutch East Indies and many other destinations; also to Canton and many places in South China. Full particulars at the Radio Office.
Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

Direct wireless communication has now been established between Hongkong and Kwangai Stations at Wuchow, Nanning and Luchoo—the charge is \$0.20 per word. Messages will also be accepted for Kwangai and Changsha by above routes—the charge being \$0.30 per word. No charge will be collected from the addressees for delivery.

The rates for radio telegrams from Hongkong to the undermentioned places in the Kwangtung province (except Canton) are as follows:—

Kongmoon via Canton \$0.30 per word.
Kochow direct \$0.20 per word.
Toy Shan direct \$0.20 per word.
Pakhoi, Swatow, Hoihow, Sanmai and Chungshan direct \$0.20 per word.

In both cases the addressee will be required to pay an additional charge due to the Receiving Station of \$0.20 per word; this charge also applies to radiotelegrams received at Hongkong from Pakhoi, Swatow, Hoihow, Sanmai and Chungshan.

The Radio Letter Service to the Philippine Islands is now as follows:—

Manila City—\$0.10 per word Minimum \$2.00
Luzon Island—\$0.15 per word " \$3.00
All other Islands—\$0.20 per word " \$4.00
It is hereby notified that messages will be accepted for transmission by wireless to Formosa at \$0.40 per word.

Radio telegrams can now be accepted for transmission to Kiu Kiang direct at the rate of \$0.20 per word and on the same conditions applicable to messages exchanged with Pakhoi, etc.

The usual morning mail for Macao will not be despatched on the 13th and 14th inst.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Java	Tjikembang	May 10.
Amoy	Takada	May 10.
Straits	Takada	May 10.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	May 11.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sochow	May 11.
Straits	Suisang	May 11.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Tamba Maru	May 11.
Siberia (London 18-19 Apr.)	Kashima Maru	May 12.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Amur Maru	May 13.
Siberia (London 18-19 Apr.)	Emp. of Asia	May 13.
Manila	Lycan	May 13.
Suez and Straits	Pres. Taft	May 18.
Manila	Tango Maru	May 18.
Australia and Manila	Pres. Hayes	May 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	D'Armaghan	May 21.
Japan and Shanghai		

OUTWARD MAILS.

	Per	Date and Time.
Amoy	Hupoh	.....Fri., May 10, 3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kochow	.....Fri., May 10, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tjikembang	.....Fri., May 10, 6 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Tjikembang	.....Fri., May 10, 6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kalyan	.....Sat., May 11 K.P.O.
	Parcels	.....May 10, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	.....May 11, 9 a.m.
	Letters	.....10 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels	.....May 10, 5 p.m.
	Registration	.....May 11, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	.....10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 8th June)	
Japan and *Victoria B. C.	Ixion	.....Sat., May 11 Registration .....9.15 a.m. Letters .....10 a.m. (Due Victoria B. C. 4th June.)
Manila and parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Ruhr	.....Sat., May 11, 12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Tai Pao Shek	Sat., May 11, 12.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	.....Sat., May 11, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	Sat., May 11, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Sinking	.....Sat., May 11, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Anking	.....Sat., May 11, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Telemaclus	.....Sat., May 11, 5 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Takada	.....Sat., May 11, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Sauerland	.....Sat., May 11, 6 p.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Canton Maru	.....Sun., May 12, 9 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kaying	.....Sun., May 12, 9 a.m.
Amoy	Sui Sang	.....Mon., May 13, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	.....Mon., May 13, 2.30 p.m.
*Japan, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & S. America and *Europe via Victoria	Pres. Taft	.....Mon., May 13.
	Parcels	.....3 p.m.
	Registration	.....4.15 p.m.
	Letters	.....5 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B. C. 8th June.)	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Taft	.....Mon., May 13.
	Registration	.....5 p.m.
	Letters	.....6 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles 12th June.)	
Wei Hai Wei	Kueichow	Wed., May 15, 8.30 a.m.
Formosa	Hague Maru	Wed., May 15, 10.30 a.m.
Japan	Tango Maru	.....Fri., May 17, 9.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Hosang	.....Fri., May 17.
	Parcels	.....noon.
	Letters	.....1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		



Two Sickly Boys in Singapore

Made Healthy and Happy By Baby's Own Tablets.

Just as Baby's Own Tablets helped the two little sons of Mr. M. A. Karim, cloth merchant, of 9 Baghdad Street, Singapore, whose portraits are shown above, so they will help other children suffering from similar troubles.

"Some time ago my two little sons were afflicted badly with infantile indigestion, accompanied by colic, flatulence and attacks of feverishness," writes Mr. Karim. "They were cross and fretful and could not sleep well at night."

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"MOTHER."

HUMAN INTEREST STORY AT THE MAJESTIC.

The sacrifices that parents, especially mothers, will make for their children, is vividly shown in "Mother," the brilliant F.O.B. production which is now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon.

There is nothing fictional to the theme—it is life's story enacted every day and every week and every month, and one leaves the theatre after viewing it with a more pronounced idea of the sacrifices, the hardships, endured by parents, and the burdens, though innocently, placed on fathers and mothers by children.

Belle Bennett, who won worldwide fame by her marvellous portrayal in "Stella Dallas," is the typical American middle-class mother in this picture, and it is universally agreed that it is her finest effort for the screen.

She portrays a Spartan mother—not the whining sort, but rather the sort of mother that forces a smile while her heart is on the point of breaking.

Crawford Kent, William Bakewell and Joyce Coad compose the family group, and Sam Allen, Mabel Julianne Scott and Charlotte Stevens are prominent in the supporting cast.

The picture is directed by J. Leo Mehan.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"SLIGHTLY USED" BOOKED FOR SUNDAY.

"Slightly Used," a Warner Bros. production directed by Archie L. Mayo, with May McAvoy and Conrad Nagel and an excellent supporting cast, comes to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, according to a special announcement in this issue.

The story is a delightful comedy of youth, in which a young lady, to escape home nagging, pretends to be married, runs it, goes through some startling and excitingly funny adventures, and in the end gets to be what she pretended to be. The picture is said to contain a number of extremely amusing situations of which the utmost has been made by the principal players and the large supporting cast. Audrey Ferris, Anders Randolph and Robert Agnew, all well known screen artists with several film successes to their credit, also have important parts to play.

CHICHERIN'S HEALTH.

RETURN TO RUSSIA NOT IN CONTEMPLATION.

Berlin, Apr. 12.

Chicherin, the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, who has been in a Berlin sanatorium for the past twelve months, is, according to the Berliner Tageblatt, leaving to-day for some unspecified destination.

It is understood on good authority that Chicherin does not contemplate returning to Russia, but continuing his cure at some German health resort. He is seriously indisposed with diabetes, and well-informed circles here are of opinion that both the state of his health and the disfigurement into which he has fallen at Moscow will prevent him from ever resuming active work at his nominal post.

There remains little doubt that in all but the actual appointment, Litvinoff is Commissar for Foreign Affairs.

The refusal of the German Cabinet to allow Trotsky to enter Germany was the result of the opposition of Dr. Stresemann, who feared the complications likely to arise at home and abroad from Trotsky's irrepressible tendency to propaganda.

WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Unstudied Pose.

WOMAN AND HER PHOTOGRAPH.

The modern photographer does not care very much about the dress of his sitter; he likes to concentrate on the head and shoulders, the hands, and the pose.

He realises dress in a photograph grows ridiculous with the years; when painted it keeps its charm, as may be seen by old portraits even of such ungraceful periods in fashion as that of the bustle; witness that remarkable portrait of the "Lady with a glove" in the Luxembourg.

Fleeting Charm.

Neither is it the beautiful women only who make good photographic studies. With clever posing, clever lighting, unusual developing and printing, an interesting face which is not perfect in features can now make a charming picture. The studied, affected, unnatural pose is not the one most liked; the modern photographer is all for catching the fleeting charm of an expression or the careless grace of an unstudied pose.

He has to watch for his opportunity much as he does when photographing wild birds, and he has to avoid frightening his prey for fear it should fall into self-consciousness.

A Revival.

There is a notable revival of artistic portrait-making by photography in Paris just now, and some of the work being done is quite remarkable.

A relatively unknown Italian artist is working at most unusual photographs and is producing studies of well-known people which are unlike anything that has been done in photography up to the present. He tries to find out from his sitters what is their greatest interest, their work in life, and then he waits for his moment. He sometimes achieves a bit of work which makes you feel as if he had caught on his lens something of that inner mystery of a personality which only the great portrait painters ever get, and that not often.

When the portrait of a woman of to-day is not done by an artist photographer, she seems to prefer the snap-shot. It is all one with her taste for simple clothes, her frank speech, her passion for facing what she thinks is truth, even in its most unpleasant forms. She dislikes affectation and anything hypocritical.

Frankness.

If she makes up her face she lets it be quite clear that she uses rouge and lip-stick, that she plucks her eyebrows and keeps her hair in place by some sort of mastic. She is not touchy about being snap-shot when striding over the golf links or driving hard at a ball. She does not mind her feet looking large in brogues, but she hates to look silly or insipid.

That is why the "study" portrait has gone, or is going, out of fashion.

Today's Recipe.

A DAINTY SWEET.

One-half pound marshmallows, 1 cup whipping cream, 1-4 cup candied cherries, 1-4 cup candied pineapple, 1-2 cup pecan nuts, 2 tablespoons powdered sugar, 1-2 teaspoon vanilla.

Cut fruit in small pieces. Cut marshmallows in quarters and chop nuts. Whip cream until firm, add sugar and vanilla and fold in prepared marshmallows, fruit and nuts. Turn into a mold and let stand on ice several hours to chill and become firm.

Voiced Insured for Hugo Sum.



One million dollars is the sum insured by the Commonwealth Casualty Company of Philadelphia.

Since her new contract has gone into effect, Miss Griffith has filmed a Vitaphone version of the Maxwell Anderson play, "Saturday's Children," which is a full-length dialogue picture.

Corinne recently was awarded a new five-year contract which stipulates that each of her productions will be a 100 per cent. dialogue picture.

Keeping An Art Alive.

IN DEFENCE OF THE CHATTERER.

The majority of people are, undoubtedly, attracted more by the man or woman who has not very much to say than by the voluble person. Yet, we must not condemn the latter off-hand, whilst indiscriminately bestowing our admiration on the reticent.

It would be a pity were the art of conversation to die, and, however banal and platitudinous the talk of two people may be, they are, nevertheless, doing something to keep alive that art. Taciturnity does nothing to help in this direction, and it is not always the case that those who say nothing do so because they have nothing to say.

The proverb that silence is golden must not be given too much credit as a wise saying. The woman who talks for the sake of hearing herself speak may be a bore, but is of a more agreeable character than she whose silence is not an indication of modesty but of distrust of her fellow-beings.

An Admirable Trait.

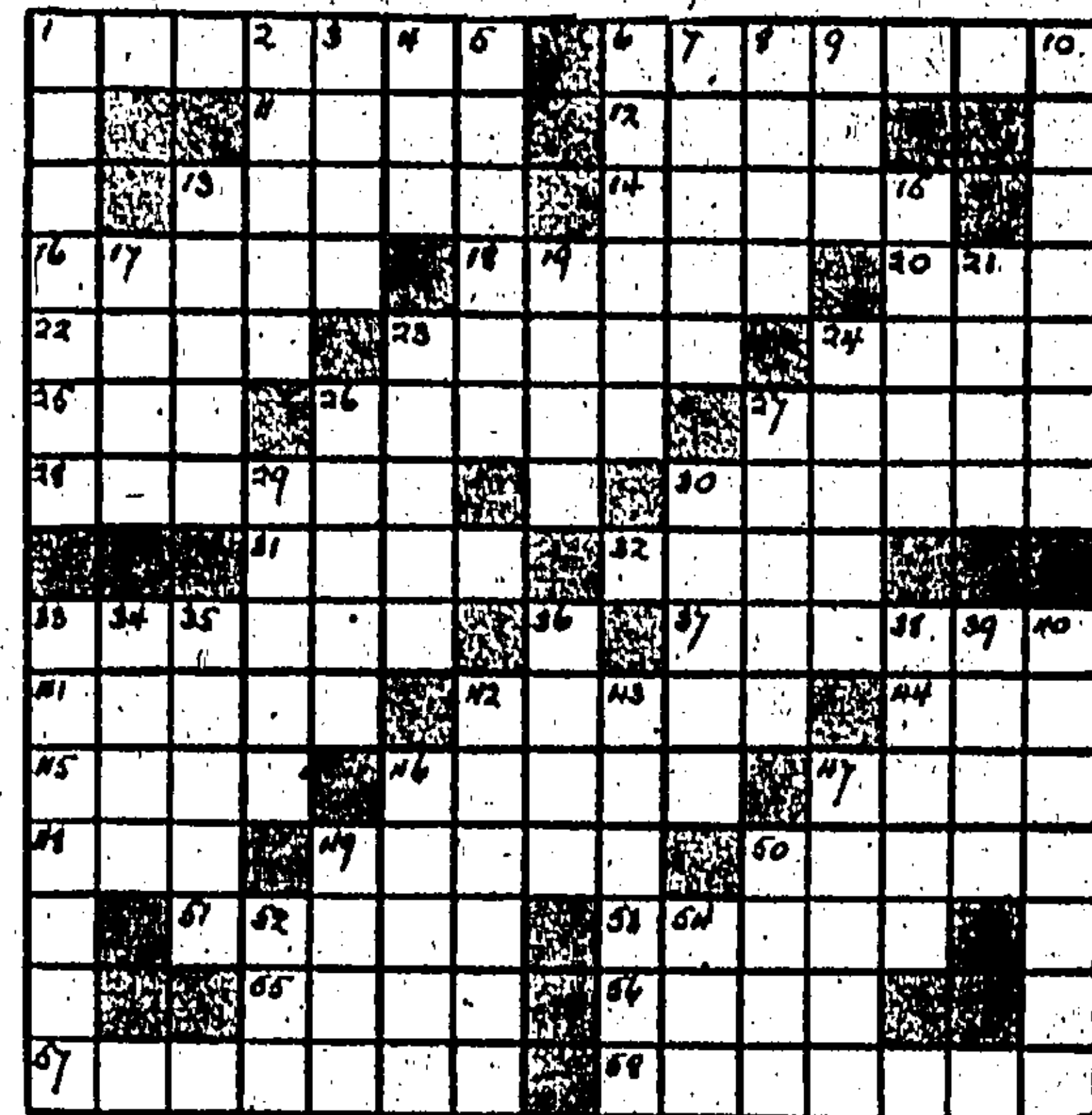
Reserve, of course, is an admirable trait when displayed amongst a company of calumniators. Silence is indeed golden when evil is being spoken of anyone—unless it be broken in defence of the maligned—and unwillingness to take part in such conversations does not necessarily mean that the abstainer is a person of few words.

There is often wisdom in silence, too, when some unjust slight, criticism, or accusation prompts an indignant and scathing rejoinder from the injured party. To preserve silence in such circumstances is more effective, and produces a greater feeling of self-respect than does a heated retort.

It was once said of Von Moltke that he could hold his tongue in more foreign languages than any other living European. This was, doubtless, considered a merit in the old Prussian General, but we are not all in positions such as Moltke's, and should at all events avoid carrying taciturnity to the point of churlishness.

But the one unforgivable occasion of silence is when a word is called for in order to remove blame or suspicion from the innocent—even though it be to shoulder it oneself. C. T. W.—In Exchange.

OUR NEW BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Pellucid.
- 6 Run aground.
- 11 Prong.
- 12 Conceited fellow.
- 13 Tracts of sandy soil.
- 14 Irrigated.
- 16 Cleave asunder.
- 18 Charm.
- 20 Venomous snake.
- 22 Stated.
- 23 Ethical.
- 24 Wicked.
- 25 Old age.
- 26 Languished.
- 27 Newly wedded woman.
- 28 Thought.
- 30 One who plunders.
- 31 Gaelic.
- 32 Inclination.
- 33 Not wide.
- 37 Sea of affections.
- 41 Move round.
- 42 Matched.
- 46 Depend on.
- 48 Artificial waterway.
- 49 Small creek.
- 48 Consumed.
- 49 Charged.
- 50 Trim by shaving.
- 51 Portion.
- 53 Annoy.
- 55 Cereal.
- 56 Once.
- 57 Plans.
- 58 Merit by labour.

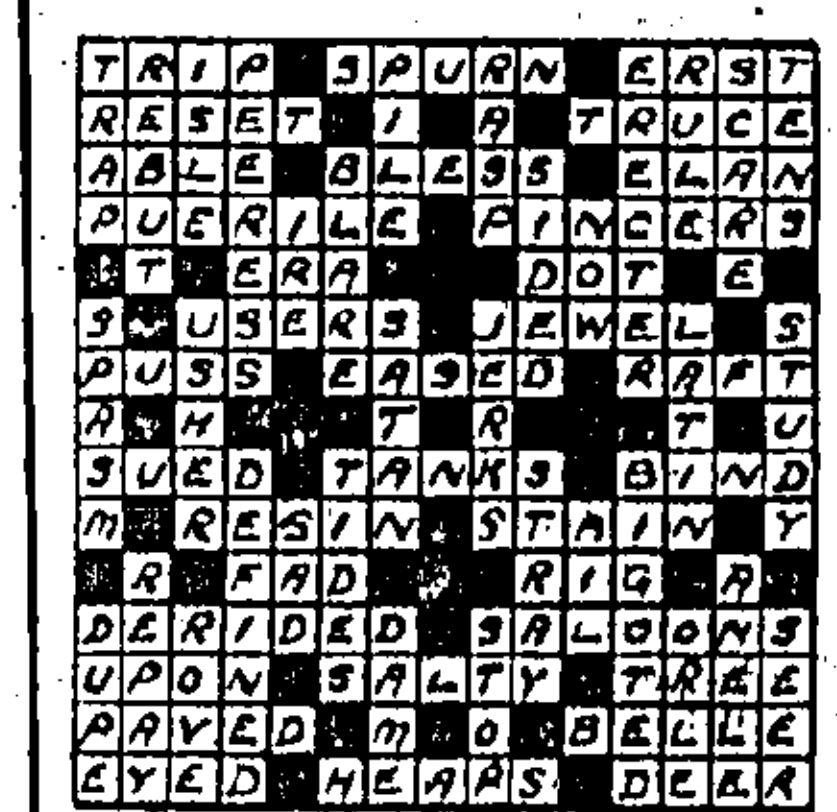
Down

- 1 Clashed with.
- 2 Sedate.
- 3 Shade of colour.
- 4 Conjunction.
- 5 Precept.
- 6 Stretch.
- 7 Trickle.
- 8 Rivulet.

9 Era.

- 10 One who samples.
- 13 Glide.
- 15 Used for lowering boats.
- 17 Dim.
- 19 Spoil.
- 21 Faction.
- 23 The middle.
- 24 Appear as if gnawed.
- 25 Danger.
- 27 Plank.
- 29 Resembling meal.
- 30 Defamatory writing.
- 33 Makes lighter.
- 34 Allowance for waste.
- 35 Characters represented by actors.
- 36 Girdle.
- 38 In presence of.
- 39 Spare.
- 40 Sort of fame.
- 42 Fondle.
- 43 Stuck.
- 44 Bill of fare.
- 47 Social position.
- 49 Froth.
- 50 Go by.
- 52 Gardening implement.
- 54 Before.

Yesterday's Solution



"CRUCIFIXION."

RECORD PRICE FOR PAINTING AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

New York, May 9.

At an auction at Anderson Galleries, Florio Francesca's "Crucifixion" was bought by Sir Joseph Duveen for \$375,000. It is believed that this is a record price for a painting at a public auction.

Lippi's "Madonna and Child" was sold for \$125,000.—Reuter's American Service.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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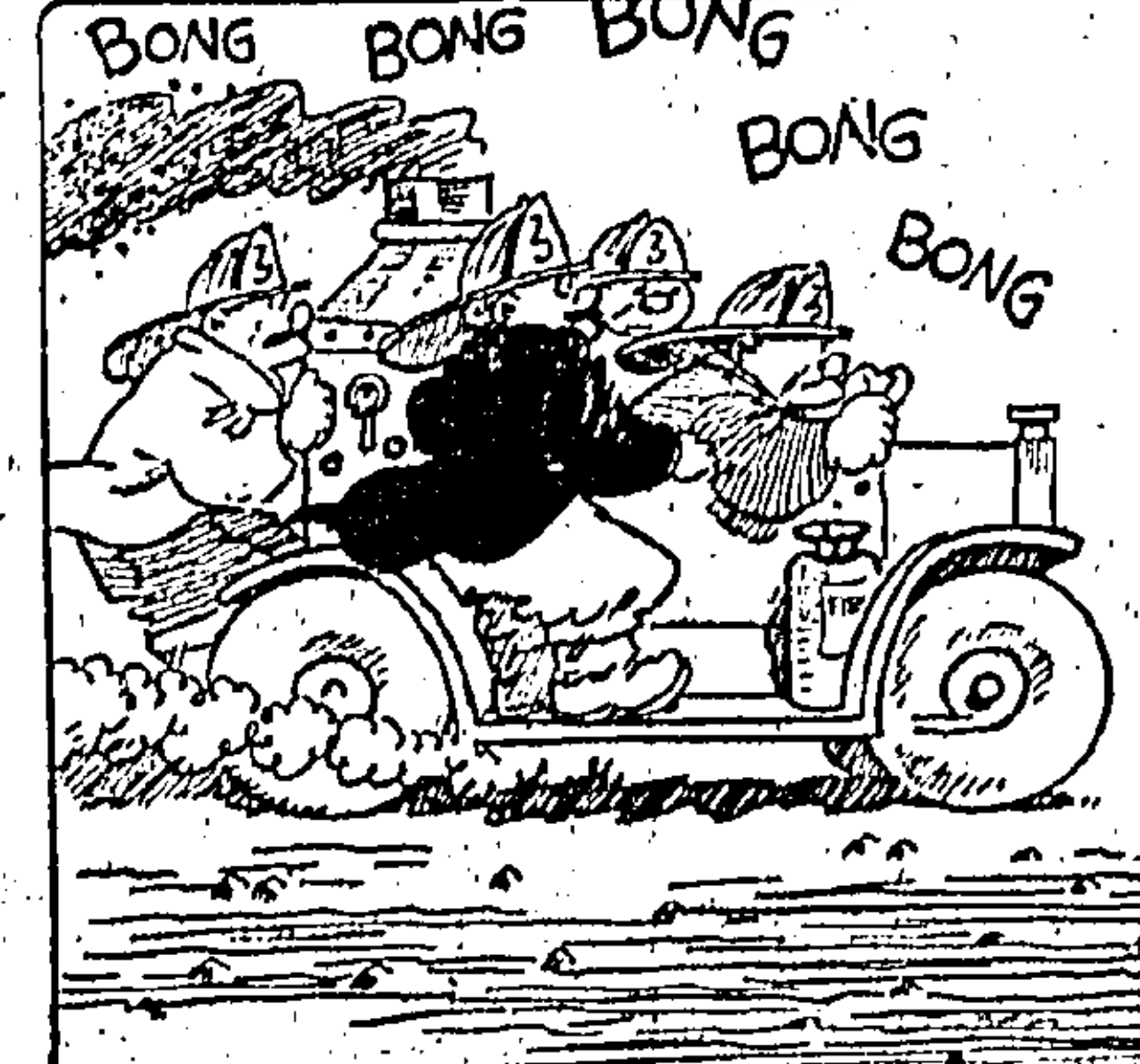
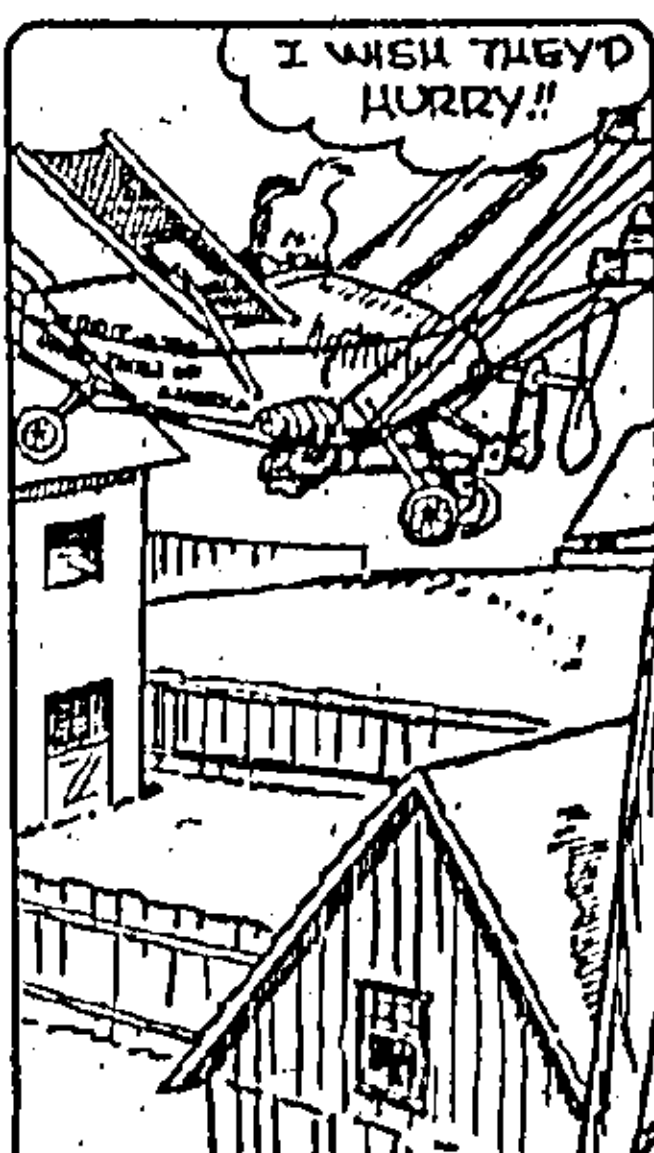
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Clang! Clang! Clang!

By Blosser

THE BOYS TALKED OSCAR INTO MAKING A FLIGHT IN HIS AIRPLANE, SO HE TOOK OFF FROM THE TOP OF MULLET'S BARN AND LANDED IN A MAZE OF TELEPHONE WIRES DIRECTLY BELOW—A CALL WAS SENT IN FOR THE FIRE DEPT.



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SITUATION
LINED.REVIEWED IN THE
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

BRITISH SERVICES.

London, May 9.
Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Foreign Under-Secretary, made a statement in the House of Commons to-day regarding the present situation in China.

He said there has recently been an appreciable improvement in the situation in the Middle Yangtze Valley, which is now entirely under the control of the National Government.

Three of the defeated Kwangsi Generals have expressed their willingness to leave Hupeh if they were given safe conduct under the British flag. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek had formally requested that this should be done, in order to hasten the termination of hostilities, and they have accordingly been conveyed to Shanghai in a British warship.

In Shantung, Chang Chun-chang has been definitely beaten and left the province. Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang's forces have been withdrawn from Shantung into Honan and the control of the former province has been given to a Nanking General.

Nanking troops are being transferred from the Tientsin area to North Honan. Shanghai troops are being withdrawn to their own province from Peking and sent to reinforce the Shansi-Honan border.

All Marshal Feng's adherents have left Nanking, where his quarters have been occupied by local troops.

On May 4th, Kwangsi troops advanced into Kwantung. The local authorities of Canton have sent gunboats to check the invasion.

Reports received do not indicate anxiety regarding the safety of British subjects. Except for one missionary who elected to remain, all British subjects have been safely evacuated from Changteh.

—British Wireless.

MAJOR SUMMONSES
CHAUFFEUR.ACCUSED OF RECKLESS
DRIVING.

Major R. A. Wolfe-Murray appeared as the complainant in a summons, before Major C. Willson, this morning, against a Chinese public-car driver, for reckless driving.

The Major said that at about 6.15 p.m. on Sunday, April 28, he was driving his private car up the hill from Repulse Bay towards Wongneichong Cap. Another car was about 30 yards ahead of him, and had been so for a minute or so before the incident in question occurred.

At a point in the road where his field of view was not more than 20 yards beyond the car ahead of him, public-car No. 175 cut in front of him, taking a position right between the two cars. He and two others who were with him in the car, were of the opinion that the driver of Car No. 175 was driving to the public danger. His speedometer read 18 miles an hour before the incident. The road behind was straight, but his field of view was obscured by a bend 30 yards beyond the car which he was following.

The summons was adjourned for the attendance of other witnesses.

TWO-MINUTE MEETING!

LIQUIDATION OF COMPANY
CONFIRMED.

Probably one of the shortest Company meetings on record was that of the United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., which took place at the offices of Messrs. Dowdell and Co. Ltd., this morning. At 11 a.m. promptly the Chairman, Mr. J. P. Warren, opened the meeting and at 11.02 a.m. the meeting concluded.

The meeting was a confirmatory one in regard to the voluntary winding-up of the firm, and there were present, apart from the Chairman, Messrs H. J. Silva, B. S. Vieira and G. R. Edwards (Secretary).

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:—You will remember that at the extraordinary general meeting held at these offices on April 24 the following resolution was passed:—"That the Company be wound up voluntarily and that Dodwell and Co., Ltd., of Hongkong, be appointed liquidators for the purpose of such winding up." This requires confirmation at this meeting and I therefore beg to propose that the foregoing extraordinary resolution be confirmed.

The Chairman's proposition was seconded by Mr. G. R. Edwards and carried unanimously.

The meeting then concluded.

INDIAN CAUSES
TROUBLE.ASSAULT AND DAMAGE TO
THEATRE.

While running away from a crowd of Chinese in Kansu Street, Yaumati, last night, an Indian, who had just arrived from Haiphong, utilised a heavy stick to disperse a number of Chinese impeding his progress, with the result that when a policeman arrived on the scene he was arrested and taken to the Police Station on a charge of assault.

When brought before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, it was stated by Detective Sergeant Fitchers that the defendant was being chased by some Chinese near the Kwong Chee Theatre at 8.45 p.m. yesterday. While running away from his pursuers, he struck the complainant who was among a number of pedestrians in the street.

The defendant had been under the influence of liquor and while being chased he was responsible for considerable damage to property belonging to the theatre.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$10 and ordered the defendant to pay the management of the Kwong Chee Theatre \$5 compensation for the damage caused.

"THE CROWD."

BIG FILM SHOWING AT
THE QUEEN'S.

"The Crowd," now showing at the Queen's Theatre, is a film to which there will be varying reactions. That it is a "big" picture, there can be no doubt. The remarkable settings showing the huge crowds and the mighty buildings of New York are very cleverly conceived and they give the right atmosphere to the film.

The story itself, which shows a young man's struggles to get out of the rut and to become something more than a mere unit amongst millions of others, is somewhat depressing, though as a character study it is in many respects very true to life. Fortunately, there is a happy ending to relieve the gloom, although the impression is left that the climax is a little forced.

However, "The Crowd" is an attempt to produce a film which reflects life as it is, and quite a good job has been made of the effort. There are some happy touches of comedy which help to brighten the theme.

The acting throughout is particularly good, in which respect Eleanor Boardman and James Murray stand out prominently. Opinions may differ regarding the film, but we can commend it as being well worth seeing.

JUDGMENT FOR £165,000.

LONDON FIRM TO PAY
FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

A case in which the French Ministry of Finance sued Messrs. Perry and Company (Bow), Limited, of Victoria-street, Westminster, claiming £165,000, was decided by Mr. Justice Roche in the King's Bench Division in favour of the former.

The action arose out of the purchase by a French company from a German company, of 9,000 tons of sugar. The transaction was carried out under the Dawes scheme for the payment of reparations by Germany, and the French company gave the French Government two promissory notes for the purchase price, the amount being deducted from the sum due as reparations.

Messrs. Perry and Company, to whom the French company owed money for the reconstruction of a factory, signed the promissory notes as guarantors, and as the notes were dishonoured, the French company having gone into liquidation, the French Ministry sought to recover the amount of the notes from the guarantors.

Mr. Justice Roche, giving judgment for the French Ministry of Finance with costs, held that the defendants had power, under the articles of association of the company, to sign the promissory notes as sureties. He decided that the transaction was a commercial one, and he was satisfied that the defendants entered into it with a view to profit.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships at present in port are as follows:—H.M. ships Tamar, Bruce and Seawey.

In Dock—H.M. ships Marazion, L20 and L25.

No. 6 Buoy—H.M.S. Berwick. No. 1 Buoy—H.M.S. Hermes. No. 7 Buoy—H.M. ships Serapis and Thracian.

No. 9 Buoy—H.M.S. Seraph. No. 11 Buoy—H.M.S. Sepoy. No. 12 Buoy—H.M. ships Sirdar and Somme.

West Wall Dock—H.M.S. Cornwall.

SERGEANT AND BUS
DRIVER.DISPUTE OVER SHOWING
OF BADGE.

TRUMPED-UP CHARGE?

Summoned for not exhibiting his badge in a visible position, the driver of a Hongkong Tramway bus declared that the charge had been trumped up by an Indian Sergeant, who was vexed with him. It was explained that the Sergeant had also sought to proceed against the driver on a charge of obstruction, but this had been dropped, and only the summons for failing to show the badge was proceeded with.

The case was heard before Major C. Willson this morning. Mr. Horace Lo being instructed to appear for the defence.

Giving evidence, Baratu Singh, a Sikh Sergeant, said he was on patrol duty in Connaught Road Central at 9.25 on the night of April 30th, when he saw a bus in the charge of the defendant drive up to the Star Ferry Wharf and park it to the left of the ricksha stand. Witness told defendant to move on, but he replied that he was waiting to pick up passengers upon the arrival of the Star Ferry boat. At witness' request, defendant produced his licence, and in doing so, also brought out from his inner breast pocket his driver's badge, which should have been worn on the outside of his jacket.

Witness gave him to understand that he would be summoned not only for obstruction, but also for not exhibiting his badge in a visible position.

Four minutes after the bus had stopped at the spot, the Ferry boat put alongside, but no passengers came on the bus.

Mr. Horace Lo put it to witness that no less than 11 persons did get aboard the bus, and suggested that witness' evidence was not to be relied on, if he could not speak to that fact within his four minutes' observation of the bus.

The defendant, making his statement from the witness-box, said that he was wearing his badge, which the Indian insisted he should unpin. When he took a long time over it, the Indian was vexed, and now trumped up this accusation of his having kept the badge in his pocket.

Major Willson observed that, as there was only one man's word against another, he would dismiss the summons.

DRIZZLE OR MIST.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure remains highest to the North-east of Japan, although a weak anti-cyclone area has developed over North China. A shallow depression is indicated over South Japan and the depression over Tongking has partially filled up.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—East winds, moderate; cloudy, with drizzle or mist.

The rainfall registered for the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.20-inch. This makes the year's total 8.63 inches, against an average of 14.31 inches.



"You know, I honestly don't see how mother did it with four children."

HAT DESIGNED BY A
KING.

A CRIME NOT TO WEAR ONE.

Hats are playing a leading role in the unification of Persia, according to Sir E. Denison Ross, Professor of Persian and Director of the School of Oriental Studies at London University, who has just arrived back in London after a tour of the East.

To-day every Persian, from the King and the Prime Minister to the schoolboy, the soldier, and the peasant, must by law wear the same form of hat, known, after the King's name, as the Pahlavi hat. Any person found wearing any but the prescribed hat is arrested and fined.

The King, anxious to preserve the national traits of his nation, some time ago designed a head-dress which by Royal decree every one of his subjects is obliged to wear. The hat resembles an overturned saucer made of cloth, with, instead of a handle, a shade over the eyes.

"In Turkey the fez has been discarded and the hard-felt hat has taken its place in an effort to copy the Westerner. But in Persia the King has attempted to safeguard his nation by doing the opposite—that is to say, by establishing a national trait says Sir Denison Ross.

Happy Schoolboys.

"The most ragged schoolboy wears the hat," he continued. "I personally had an opportunity of congratulating his Majesty and telling him how happy the schoolboys seemed to be with their new possession."

Sir Denison visited the Chamber in Teheran, where the deputies wore their hats at work. Nowadays, only certain religious teachers can wear the turban, and they must pass a strict examination before being allowed to do so.

"There is now some doubt on a question of etiquette," Sir Denison continued. "Should a man enter a room with his hat on his head or should he take it off? This point is not yet solved. Most Persians have been obliged to discard their flowing coats and wear lounge suits."

Irak has also its national head dress—the forage cap, which is also worn in any colour. This is a fashion set by King Feisal, who himself always wears such a hat. Meanwhile Egypt remains faithful to the fez.

ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF
M. VALDEMARAS.REPORT OF DEATH OF SON
INCORRECT.

Kovno, May 9.
It is learned to-day that the report of the death of M. Valdemaras' adopted son, as the result of wounds received in the attempt on the life of the Lithuanian Prime Minister, is incorrect.

The operation performed on the boy was successful, and he is recovering.

Several arrests have been effected in connexion with the attempted assassination of M. Valdemaras.—Reuter.

FROM BRITAIN TO
CHINA.CHINESE AIRMAN MAKES
GOOD PROGRESS.

MAY COME HERE.

Information has been received by the Far Eastern Aviation Company, of which Mr. R. Vaughan Fowler is the local Manager, that Capt. Wen Lin-chen, the Chinese aviator, flying an Avro Avian light aeroplane from London to China, arrived at Vinh on Wednesday morning and the same day left for Hanoi, a distance of 160 miles, reaching there later in the day.

Capt. Wen intended to fly to Canton via Taipeing, but in view of recent developments it is probable that he will go on to Peking. It is understood that an effort is being made to get him to fly to Hongkong from Peking. His final destination is Amoy, his home town.

Capt. Wen Lin-chen started on his flight from Dover early in March. He is accompanied by Lt. Johansen, a Danish aviator. He has made calls at quite a number of cities in Europe and Asia. He is not attempting to create any new records. Flying from England, he went direct to Berlin, after which he visited a number of European countries, and thereafter Turkey, Iraq, India, Siam and French Indo-China.

It is interesting to note that the flight has been undertaken on a British machine, an Avro Avian, fitted with a Cirrus engine, for which the Far East Aviation Company are sole agents for the whole of China, including Hongkong. Capt. Wen's noteworthy performance is a tribute to the machine and to the pilot. The Avro Avian is renowned throughout the world for its safety, ease of maintenance, comfort, finish and equipment. The fuselage is of metal and it is claimed that climatic conditions have no effect whatever upon it. Not only has it the outstanding advantages over a wooden fuselage of a much longer life and ease of maintenance, but in the event of a bad crash the metal structure possesses shock-absorbing qualities, merely crumpling under impact instead of splintering as does a ply-wood fuselage. It has a strong undercarriage.

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JUNK WITH COAL
OVERDUE.FAILS TO ARRIVE AT
CASTLE PEAK.

There is some anxiety regarding the whereabouts of a Chinese junk, No. T5705H, which is reported as missing with a cargo of coal aboard.

Yesterday the police were informed that the boat left Wanchai for Castle Peak with 60 tons of coal on board, valued at \$662.50, and although the vessel left Wanchai at 2 p.m. on the 7th instant, she has not yet arrived at Castle Peak.

The consignee of the coal, Mr. Tsai Yui-po, states that the master of the junk is an old and experienced mariner and he does not know what could have prevented the boat from reaching her destination.

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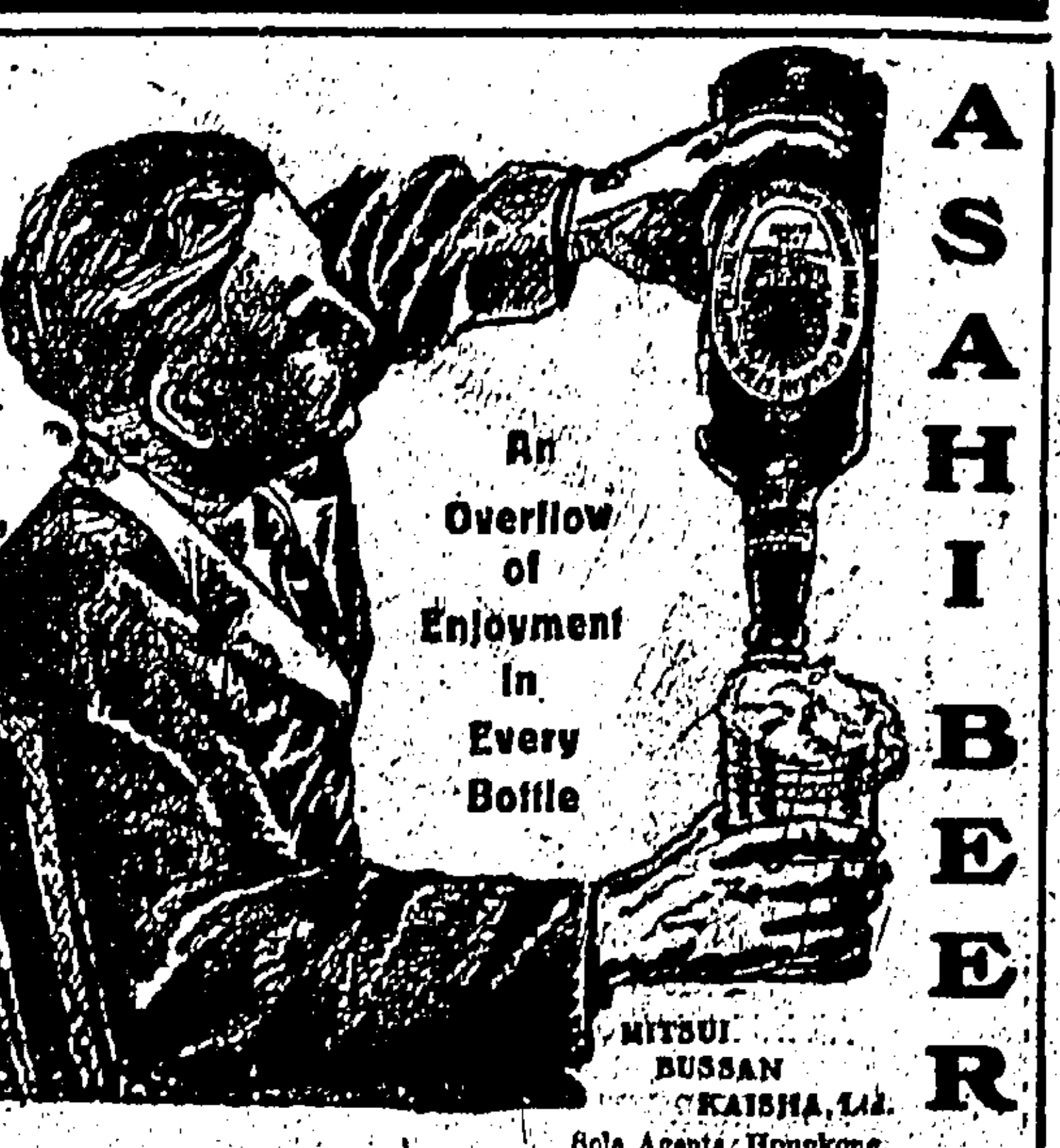
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LONDON WEDDING.

FORMER HONGKONG MAN MARRIES.

The wedding took place at the Wesleyan Chapel, Kingsway Hall, Kingsway, London, on Wednesday, April 10, of Mr. Daniel Oswald Oliver de Silva, insurance underwriter, of 42, St. Petersburg Place, London, late of Borden View, London-road, Milton Regis, and Mrs. Rose Evelyn de Silva, of 18, Pervin-road, Cosham, Hants, his brother's widow. Mr. de Silva, who was formerly local representative of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, is now on the staff of the head office of the company in London, the staff of which had two hours off to attend the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Ira Goldhawk. The bride, who was given away by Mr. Cyril Fernando, a prominent Ceylon merchant, was attended by two bridesmaids and a matron of honour, and Mr. Graydon Joachim (nephew of the bridegroom) acted as "best man." The bridesmaids were Miss Vera Griffin (niece of the bride), and Miss Pearl Forster (late of Hongkong), the matron of honour being Mrs. Ernest Atkinson, of Chelsea.

After the ceremony a tea-dance reception took place at the Trinity Restaurant, the Strand, at which there were between forty and fifty guests, including friends from different parts of the country and abroad.

Later on the newly-married couple left by car for Hove and Portsmouth for the honeymoon, after which they will take up their residence at Hampstead, London.

COMPANY RESULT.

CANTON INSURANCE FINAL DIVIDEND.

We are officially informed that the General Agents and Consulting Committee of the Canton Insurance Office Ltd., will, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on Thursday, 23rd May, recommend a final dividend of \$22 per share in respect of Working Account for 1927 and add the balance of \$686,868.10 to Underwriting Suspense Account.
They will further recommend the payment of an interim dividend of \$18 per share in respect of Working Account for 1928, and that the balance of \$1,857,848.86 be carried forward.

COLLIER WRECKED.

STRUCK CORAL REEF NEAR TRUK ISLAND.

Tokyo, May 9.
The Navy-chartered collier Tsumu Maru No. 6 struck a coral reef near Truk Island in the Caroline group on the afternoon of May 7 and is believed to be a total loss.

A telegram to the Navy department says that strong tides and many reefs at the scene of the wreck will make rescue of the crew most difficult. Their fate is not yet known. At least fifty are aboard.—Reuter.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 19/29, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant.

1. King's Birthday Parade.
All ranks of The Corps are reminded of the King's Birthday Parade which will take place on the Cricket Ground during the forenoon of 3rd June, 1929. His Excellency the G.O.C. has expressed his special wish for a full turn out of The Corps and The Commandant asks to keep the date free.

2. Sergeants' Mess Meeting.
There will be a meeting of The Sergeants' Mess at 6 p.m. on Thursday, 16th May, 1929.

It is particularly requested that all members will attend as there are several important items on the agenda for discussion.

3. Command Order No. 6/4 dated 3.5.29, is repeated for information. His Majesty the King's message to the Nation.

4. Corps Band.
The Band will parade on Tuesday, 14th May at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters for Band Practice in full—a full attendance is necessary.

5. Mounted Infantry Company.
Thursday, 16th May. All ranks will parade at Race Course at 5.30 p.m. for Mounted Drill. Dress: Muff.

6. Armoured Car Company.
Car Section. Monday, 13th May, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for passing of Machine Gun Standard Tests. Cards can be drawn at Corps Headquarters by those not in possession.

Motor Cycle Section. Monday, 13th May, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Muff.

7. Machine Gun Company.
There will be no further Company Parades until further notice.

8. Scottish Company.
Weekly parades will be discontinued until further notice. All ranks are reminded that rifles and bayonets must be kept at Corps Headquarters or in the Armoury at Station Headquarters. No arms are to be kept by individuals at their homes.

Pipe Band. Weekly practices will take place at Corps Headquarters each Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. Pipe-Major Mackie will make arrangements to advise the members of the Band of any change in this order.

9. Portuguese Company.
N.C.O.'s Class. All N.C.O.'s are expected to take advantage of the classes to be held at Corps Headquarters during the Summer Months on the first and third Fridays in each month.

The next Class will be held at Corps Headquarters on Friday, 17th May at 5.30 p.m. for Lewis Gun Instruction and training.

10. Strength.
The following recruits have been taken on the strength and posted as under:
No. 1476 Bandsman R.A. Cretejo, Corps Band, as from 3.5.29.

11. Transfers.
2/Lieut. A. C. Groves to the Reserve of Officers, as from 31.3.29.
No. 1062 Pte. H. Birkett from M. I. Coy. to the Reserve Company, as from 10.5.29.

12. Reversions.
The following are permitted to revert to the ranks at their own request, as from 10.5.29.
No. 1179 L/Cpl. L. Gardner, No. 9 Platoon.
No. 1129 L/Cpl. E. A. Noronha, No. 11 Platoon.

13. Leave.
Lieut. C. Penke Anderson, M. C. Battery from 15.5.29 to 15.12.29.
No. 787 Sergt. E. D. Labrousse, Car Section, from 1.6.29 to 31.12.29.
No. 545 Spr. W. L. Walker, Engineer Company, from 23.11.28 to 22.12.29.

14. Marksmen.
The undermentioned have qualified as marksmen for Training Season.

THE JAPAN VISIT.

END OF DUKE OF GLOUCESTER'S OFFICIAL PROGRAMME.

Tokyo, May 9.
To-day ends the Duke of Gloucester's stay in Japan as an official guest of the nation, and to-morrow he will leave for a fortnight's tour up-country where he will travel incognito.

This morning he paid a farewell visit to the Emperor and Empress to thank them for their hospitality, and lunched at the Imperial Palace. The Emperor returned the visit this afternoon, and bade the Duke a cordial farewell, and requested His Royal Highness to convey to the King his deep appreciation for the bestowal of the Garter.

The Duke of Gloucester's visit to Japan has made an excellent impression on the Japanese, all ranks vying with each other to do him honour.—Reuter.

PLANE MISSING.

STORM INTERRUPTS A JAPANESE FLIGHT.

Tokyo, May 9.
A naval plane is missing, and two others were forced to make emergency landings, owing to stormy weather while carrying out a long-distance flight between Omura, near Nagasaki, and Nawa, in the Luchus.

Destroyers have been despatched to search for the missing machine, but have had no success thus far.—Reuter.

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No. 462 Sergt. C. B. Easterbrook, Corps Signals, 92 Points.
15. Struck off the Strength.

Having left the Colony:
No. 1067 L/Cpl. T. W. Southam, Car Section, as from 31.3.29.
No. 978 Pte. J. H. Sutcliffe, Car Section, as from 31.3.29.

No. 1044 Pte. E. T. S. Zimmermann, Car Section, as from 31.10.28.
No. 1039 Pte. S. M. Garrard, Machine Gun Coy., as from 24.2.29.

No. 1105 Pte. H. E. Orr, Machine Gun Coy., as from 31.12.28.
No. 1311 Pte. W. P. Leckie, No. 7 Platoon, as from 25.4.29.

No. 1236 Bandsman J. A. Souza, Corps Band, as from 15.2.29.
R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major, ADJUTANT, H. K. V. D. Corps.

1. Smoking Concert and Dinner—Friday, 10th May.
The Annual Corps Smoking Concert and distribution of Corps Trophies and Musketry prizes will take place at Volunteer Headquarters tonight, Friday, 10th.

Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., has kindly consented to present the prizes.
Tickets for the dinner will only cost \$1.00 to include drinks.

Tickets can be obtained at The Officers' Mess, The Sergeants' Mess, The Canteen. The boys of these institutions have instructions to accept cash only. O. C. Units will arrange for tickets for unit guests. Time 8 p.m.

Dress: Uniform optional but all prize winners are requested to attend in uniform. Porage cap, khaki jacket, medal ribbons, belt and shoes. Scottish as ordered.

2. The Machine Gun Company Rifle Club will hold their next meeting at the Peak Range on Sunday, 19th May, 1929 at 9.30 a.m. to compete for the Company Commander's Cup.

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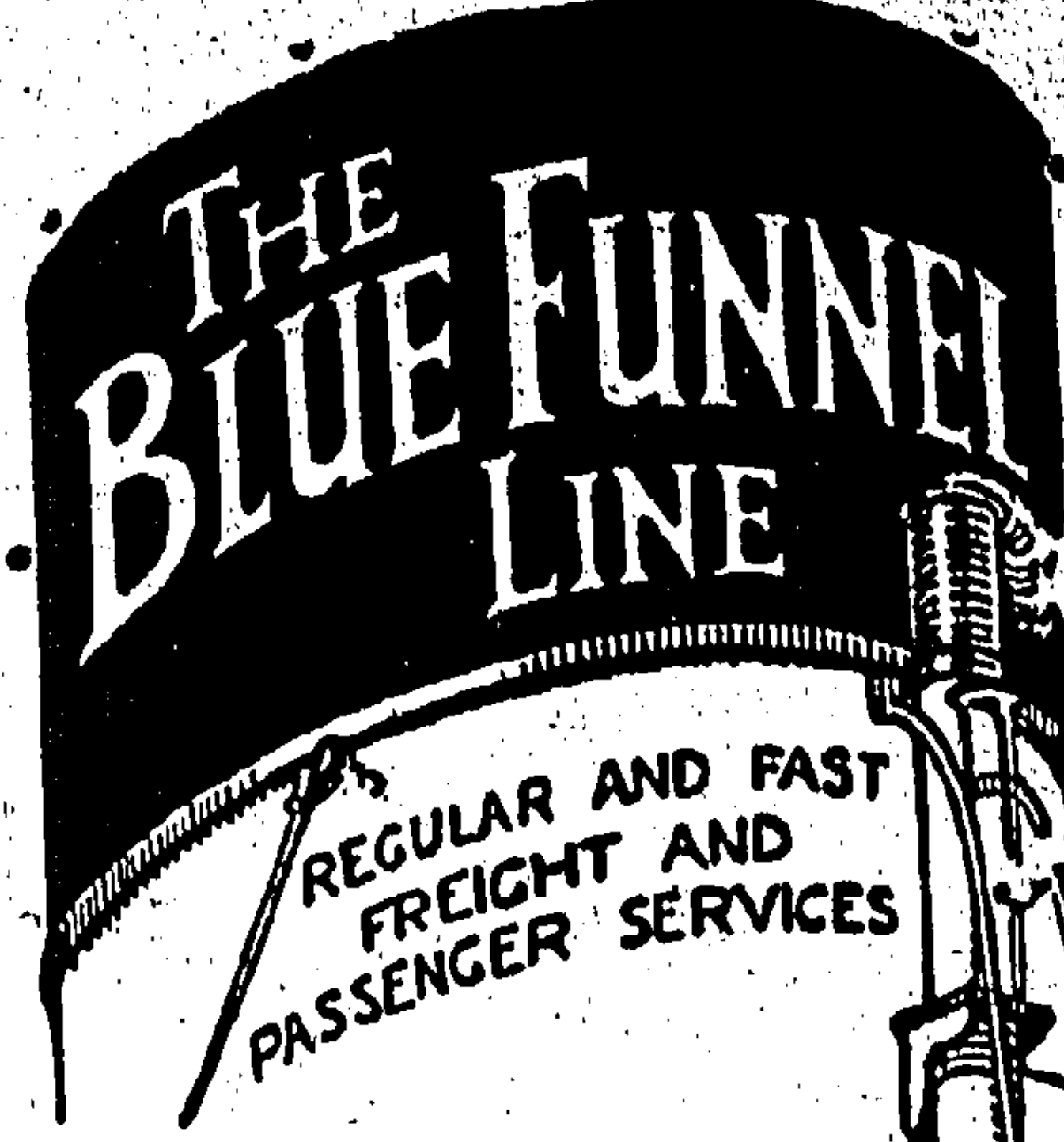
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THE SUN'S ECLIPSE.

WATCHERS AT ALOR STAR NOT DISAPPOINTED.

Singapore, May 9.
A message from Alor Star from the Free Press special correspondent says the morning broke dull and sultry, but by nine o'clock the sun broke through the clouds.
An hour before the eclipse, conditions were again disappointing, but immediately before it, the sun broke through, and almost perfect results were obtained, except for a slight haze. The corona was beautifully shown.
Singapore conditions resembled early evening.
At Alor Star at the time of the eclipse the conditions resembled the brightest moonlight, the earth appearing surrounded by a pale blue light. The buzz of conversation among 500 spectators diminished suddenly as the light disappeared and the corona flashed out round the dark body of the moon. A cheer broke out from the assembled throng as beautiful streamers shot out from the sun, while a few stars twinkled in the sky.
The astronomers were most satisfied with the results, after weeks of preparations and anxious latter days and hours.—Our Own Correspondent.

Little Useful Result?

Alor Star, May 9.
Although the Greenwich Observatory's eclipse observation party here was apparently slightly more successful than the Pattani party, little useful result is expected owing to very cloudy conditions.—Reuter.

Singapore's Experience.

Singapore, May 9.
There was a sultry atmosphere when the eclipse of the sun commenced, at 12.05 p.m., followed by a refreshing coolness as the phenomenon reached its maximum at 1.40 p.m.—Reuter.

Pattani Observers Disappointed.

Pattani, May 9.
The eclipse observation party on the Siamese side of the "shadow line" were disappointed, the sun being veiled by clouds during the period of the eclipse.—Reuter.

Perfect Results at Hoilo.

Hoilo, May 9.
The eclipse observations here were highly successful. The weather conditions were excellent, with only very faint cirrus clouds near the sun.

The United States Naval Observatory, the English expedition, and Manila Observatory executed their scheduled programmes.

The Englishmen Waterfield and Lloyd obtained seventeen valuable photographs, the United States naval party obtained thirteen valuable exposure plates with a sixty-five foot camera and forty-six others, with two polar axis and a celostat.

Two aeroplanes obtained photographs and observations from five thousand and ten thousand feet. The Manila Observatory made several actinometric measurements.

There was a beautiful corona of maximum sunspot type. Planets and stars were visible. There was general and keen interest.—Reuter.

Beverly Hills, May 9.

The film star, Constance Talmadge has been married for the third time, this time to a Chicago merchant named Townsend Netcher.—Reuter's American Service.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.)

From EUROPE and STRAITS.

The Steamship, "TSURUGA MARU" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.
No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1929.

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Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent. All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Thursday the 10th May, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Monday, the 13th May, 1929.

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RAJPUTANA	8,097	8th June.	Marseilles, L'don & Hull
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TALMA	10,000	9th June.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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ROSSINGTON COURT		21 May.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
IGURNA	5,248	24th May.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
RAJPUTANA	16,568	24th May.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama
SANTHA	7,754	5th June.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
TINGSTON COURT		10th June.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

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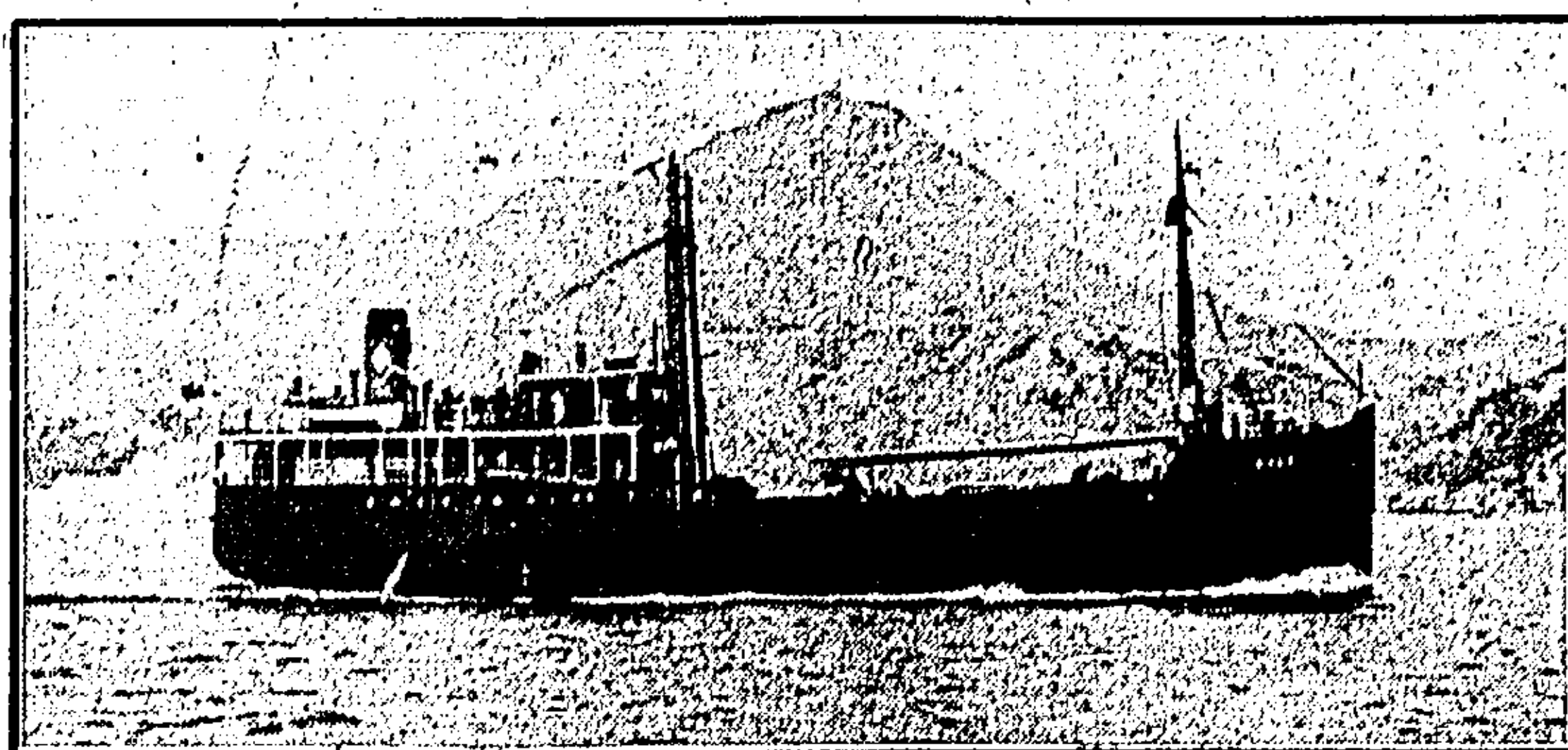
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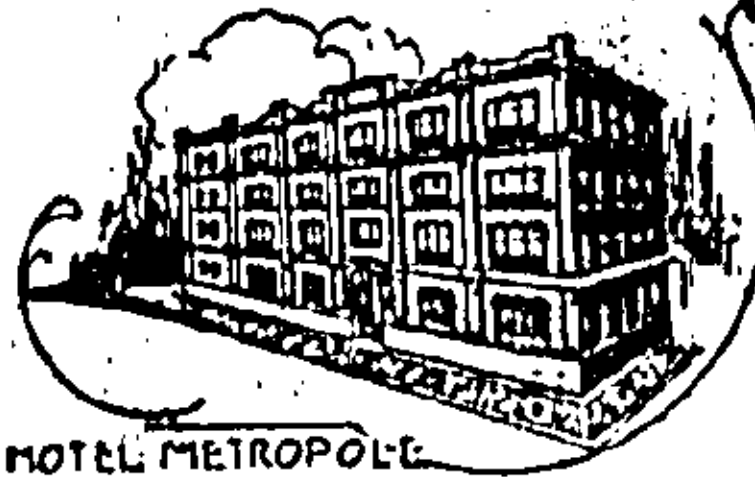
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RECEIVING ORDER SET ASIDE ON APPEAL.

London, Apr. 13.

The Court of Appeal, consisting of the Master of the Rolls and Lords Justices Lawrence and Sankey, yesterday allowed the appeal of a debtor who had been correspondent in a divorce suit, from a receiving order in bankruptcy made against him by Mr. Registrar Francke in February.

The appellant by the order of the Divorce Court on July 11 last was ordered to pay the amount of the petitioner's costs of the proceedings into Court, but in October that order was varied, and the debtor was ordered within seven days to pay to the solicitors of the petitioner the sum of £57 1s. 9d., the amount of the petitioner's taxed costs.

The decree in the divorce suit was made absolute in November, and in January a bankruptcy notice was issued in respect of the debt, but it was issued in the name of the petitioner's solicitors. Later a petition was presented and the receiving order in question was afterwards made.

The debtor appealed on the ground that as the debt was not due to the solicitors for the petitioner in the divorce suit, but to the petitioner himself, the receiving order could not stand.

The Master of the Rolls giving judgment said it appeared to him that the petitioner was the person on whose account and for whose indemnity this sum of costs ought to be paid. The solicitors were merely acting in the sense as part of legal machinery. The bankruptcy notice was not well founded; the act of bankruptcy was not complete, and the receiving order ought not to have been made. The appeal therefore would be allowed and the receiving order set aside. Lord Justices Lawrence and Sankey concurred.

BOMBAY ARMS BAN TROUBLE.

SIKHS CONSIDER RELIGION IS ATTACKED.

SYMBOLIC DAGGERS.

Bombay, May 9.

The strong measures taken by Sir Frederick Sykes to suppress the Hindu-Muslim Communal rioting may, it is feared lead to trouble in another direction.

Minor disturbances have already occurred, though up to the present the situation is fairly quiet. The trouble is concerned with the recent order prohibiting the carrying of arms of any description.

The Sikh community, the members of which are accustomed to carrying kirpans (a kind of dagger) as a religious symbol, are vigorously opposing this order, which they regard as interference with their religion.

The President of the Sing Sabha in Bombay has telegraphed, it is understood, to the Viceroy (Lord Irwin) protesting against the ban as an attack on the Sikh religion.

Two Sikhs, whom the police forcibly disarmed after a long struggle, remained at the police station to which they were taken and are now refusing to eat, drink or sleep until their kirpans are restored.—Reuter.

GUNBOATS BOMBED.

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exaggeration, but it is certain that many of them have fled and a great deal of their property has been moved.

Admiral Chan Arrested?

Such Government officials as have left are reported to have declared for Kwangsi, and in this connection it is said that Admiral Chan Chai, who arrived from Hongkong yesterday afternoon, has been arrested.

Admiral Chan has been in Hongkong on a visit to General Chan Ming-shu, and he is described as one of the last officials to remain faithful to Nanking. The revolt of the Navy is in no way due to him, but is said to have been instigated by his second in command.

When the Kinsshan arrived from Hongkong, Admiral Chan was met at the wharf by an armed guard, and he immediately entered an armoured car, driving off in the direction of the Admiralty. Later reports say he is under arrest.

Troops Approaching.

Our correspondent says that troops are rapidly advancing on Canton from at least two directions. Heavy firing from the south-west seems to indicate that the main body of the Kwangsi troops from West River districts are approaching along the Samshui Railway.

In the meantime, General Hsu King-long's forces are rapidly approaching from the east. They are said to have reached a point between Sheklung and the eastern suburbs of Canton. Fighting was in progress in that area yesterday morning.

In the city itself, there were several scares yesterday morning, and troops have taken up positions along the Bund facing Honan.

Much Anxiety.

Canton city itself continues to be peaceful, though much anxiety prevails regarding the developments of the next few days.

Women of the working class will not go out of doors if they can help it, because several batches of coolie women have been impressed by the military to carry heavy loads, and they get next to nothing for their services.

Paper money is useless to-day and many shops have closed rather than face the unpleasant haggling over the price of goods and the value of local currency.

A considerable amount of merchandise has been rushed into Shamshien godowns, and it is said that large quantities of silver coins have been deposited in the foreign banks.

General Chan's Hopes.

A British naval wireless message from Canton, dated yesterday, states that General Chan Chai-long hopes to receive help from the Central Government.

He is determined to resist the Kwangsi invasion.

In the South.

According to Chinese reports, news was received in Canton yesterday afternoon to the effect that the military leaders and forces at Linchow and Luechow have declared for Kwangsi.

These two places, in Southern Kwangtung, are under the command of the First Independent Brigade, which has succeeded in disarming all the Canton troops at Kiochow, east of Linchow. Thus

CANADIAN GRAIN CONGESTION.

OVER 80,000,000 BUSHELS OF LAST YEAR'S CROP.

FAILURE OF "CORNER."

Ottawa, May 9.

The grain congestion in Canada has reached enormous proportions. Roughly a hundred vessels are tied up in the harbours loaded with grain waiting for port orders.

Over twenty million bushels of wheat are now in the terminal elevators at Montreal, Port Colborne, the entrance to the Welland Canal, and the Lake Erie Terminal.

Several millions of bushels more are in the holds of vessels. The prices of wheat at the Winnipeg grain market had fallen eleven cents a bushel in a week.

It is stated that in Canada at the present time there is upwards of 80,000,000 bushels of wheat from last year's crop available for export.

It is stated in London that the congestion is due to the porting ring's attempt to hold up supplies in order to command their own price. Europe, it is said, has declined to purchase at the pool's price, and is getting wheat from the Argentine.

Australian growers are also said to be involved in the attempted "corner."—Reuter's American Service.

SUB-EDITOR SUES COMPANY.

ALLEGATION OF WRONGFUL DISMISSAL.

DAMAGES SOUGHT.

A case was mentioned in the Summary Court this morning in which Mr. Harry Cooper sues the Newspaper Enterprise, Ltd., for alleged wrongful dismissal.

Plaintiff claims that by a contract made on or about February 25th, 1928, he was engaged as senior sub-editor at a salary of \$400 per month, which was subsequently raised to \$450, and that he was to be retained in such service until it had been determined by a reasonable notice.

The defendants, he alleged, terminated his services on March 31st, 1929, without giving reasonable notice.

Plaintiff claimed \$1,350 as damages, but waived a sum of \$350 to bring the action within summary jurisdiction. Alternatively, he claimed \$1,000 as damages, on a yearly hiring of his services, by reason of wrongful determination of such hiring by notice of expiry otherwise than at the end of the current year.

Mr. Kwok was for plaintiff, and Mr. Arculli for defendants.

The case was adjourned until next Friday.

The three big districts are all pro-Kwangsi.

With the Kwangsi troops launching attacks from Tsing Yun on the North River, from Samshui on the West River and from Sheklung and Shektan and Tung Kun on the East River, it is believed that the Canton troops under the command of General Chan Chai-long will not be able to hold out very long unless the reinforcements which have arrived from Shinghai prove to be of service.

News, so far unconfirmed, from Canton states that the Shektan railway bridge has been damaged by the mulinous troops.

The report that 5,000 Nanking troops have arrived at Canton under the command of General Li Ming-shui has been confirmed and it is understood that they will leave to-day for Samshui, where it is believed the Kwangsi troops have scored a victory.

Fatshan's Attitude.

There was considerable consternation in Canton yesterday morning when the rumours were in circulation that Fatshan, the flourishing city to the south-west of Canton city, had announced its allegiance to Kwangsi. It was stated that the troops there mutinied and seized the city.

Later reports, however, contradict these rumours adding that the attitude of the Fatshan military leaders is very obscure.

Reports from the East River state that Canton troops are concentrating at Swatow in readiness to move down to launch attacks on Canton from Sheklung and Shektan, where the troops are seizing the rolling stock.

General Tang Yin-wah, it is reported, has been ousted from Swatow by troops who have risen in revolt against his command.

Steamer Fired On.

When the freight steamer Kwong Ying, on her way from Wuchow to Hongkong, reached Samshui at about 2 a.m. on Thurs-

BOWLERS BEAT THE BAT AT LORD'S.

MIDDLESEX FIRST TO WIN COUNTY MATCH.

452 RUNS FOR 40 WKTS.

London, May 9.

Middlesex to-day achieved the honour of scoring the first outright win in the county championship, defeating Leicestershire at Lord's by the narrow margin of 30 runs.

Two days sufficed for the match, which produced extraordinarily low scoring, with the rather more extraordinary feature of the sides being level on the first innings.

The bowlers held the mastery from start to finish, and neither team reached three figures in their first innings.

The powerful Middlesex batting combination could do nothing with Geary, the Test-bowler, while when Leicester batted, Robins, the Cambridge Blue, made short work of them.

The scores were:
Middlesex: 72 and 169.
Leicester: 72 and 139.

Geary took 5 wickets for 31 in Middlesex's first innings, but a more steady display in the second enabled them to set Leicester to get 170 runs to win. As still took 6 for 39 in the second innings.

Leicester collapsed in their first innings, even as Middlesex had done. R. W. V. Robins taking 6 wickets for 29 runs.—Reuter.

THE NILE WATERS.

BRITAIN AND EGYPT REACH AGREEMENT.

London, May 9.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said he was glad to be able to state that an agreement satisfactory to all parties had been reached between the British Government and the Egyptian Government regarding the distribution of the Nile waters.

It would be generally recognised that this could not fail to facilitate development and promote prosperity both in Egypt and the Sudan.—British Wireless.

FRANCE BEATEN AT SOCCER.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH IN PARIS.

Paris, May 9.

In the international soccer match between France and England to-day, England were victorious by four goals to one. The match was played in beautifully fine weather before 40,000 spectators. England were the better team throughout.—Reuter.

day, she was fired at, forcing her to leave the port immediately. She was allowed to enter next morning, but was subjected to a search for arms, the authorities also demanding from the Chinese crew, news of troop movements further up river.

In consequence of the delay at Samshui, the s.s. Kwong Ying (Capt. Sinclair) came into port a few hours late, her time of arrival being 3 a.m. this morning.

Anti-Nanking Movement.

According to a report appearing in the Nam Chung Po, a big military and political movement in South and North China, in the form of an alliance between Marshal Feng Yu-shiang, (commanding the Kansu, Shensi and Honan troops), General Tang Sang-chi (commanding some of the Nationalist troops in Peking and Tongshan) and the Kwangsi Clique now launching an attack on Kwangtung, is under discussion.

Secret emissaries of Marshal Feng Yu-shiang are said to have arrived in Hongkong and they express the hope that the Kwangsi leaders will effect the early capture of Canton.

If this movement materialises, the outcome will be that China will become involved in an extensive civil war between Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and the new combine. It is said in this connexion that Marshal Feng Yu-shiang may strike this time by announcing his hostilities against Nanking as soon as Kwangsi captures Canton.

Northern War?

An alarming cable from a Chinese source in Shanghai, received this morning by a local Chinese journal, states that the steel bridge at Wu Shing Kwan, on the Peking-Hankow Railway, has been destroyed by an explosion.

The incident has led rumours that Marshal Feng Yu-shiang was responsible for the act and that he is destroying the bridge as his first move towards war with Nanking, hoping thereby to hinder the Nanking troops at Hupoh Province from entering Honan which is under Marshal Feng's jurisdiction.

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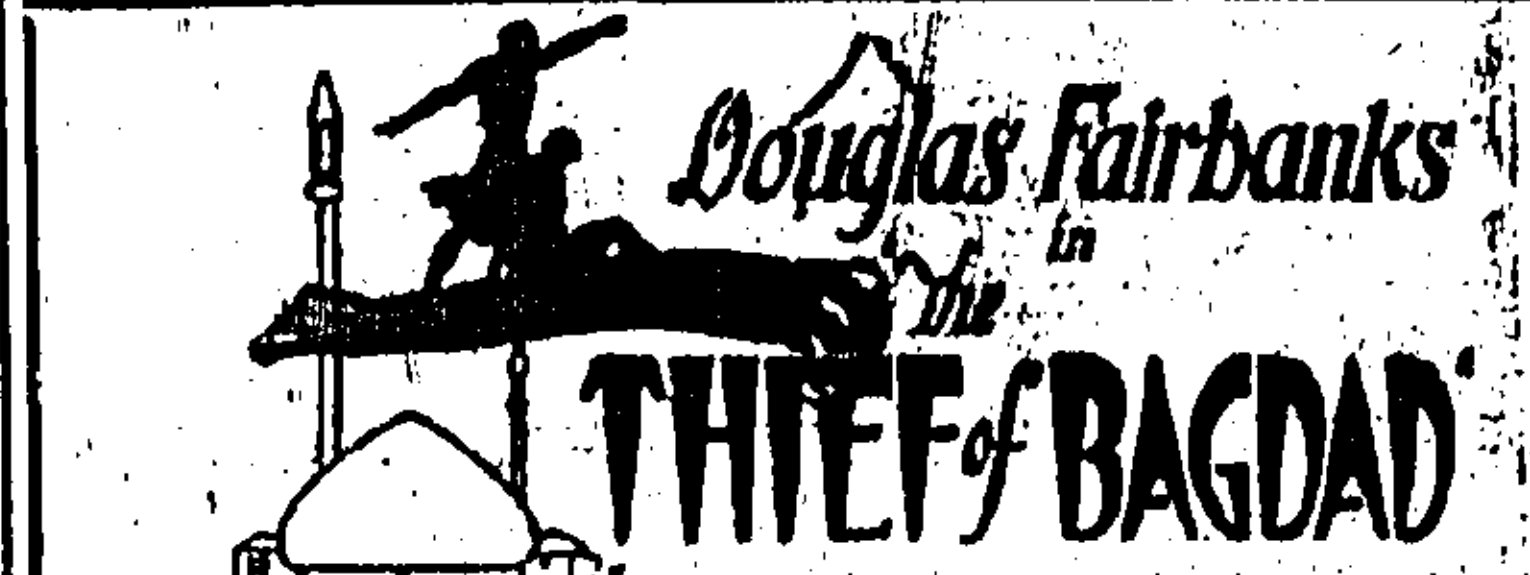
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